

Council on the same lines as the Corporation of Glasgow.

A letter was submitted from the Scottish Board of Health dated July 23rd, 1921, stating that subject to the establishment of complete reciprocity between the English and Scottish Registers, the Board were prepared to waive their proposal that fever nurses on the Board's Register should be placed on the General Part of the Register of Existing Nurses.

A letter was read from the Registrar of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales intimating that the English Council had, at the request of the Minister of Health suspended the reciprocity rule with regard to nurses on the Scottish and Irish Registers for the present, and that the Minister had signed the Rules as thus amended. After discussion, it was unanimously resolved to adopt a similar course. The Draft Rules subject to certain minor alterations were then formally approved, and the chairman was authorised to sign these on behalf of the Council. The Registrar was instructed to present these Rules and have them signed by the Scottish Board of Health at the earliest possible moment.

The Registrar was also authorised to have the necessary Forms of Application, &c., printed off, and to intimate through the Press that the Council's Register was now open.

The Report of the Registration Committee recommending certain minor alterations in the Draft Syllabus of Lectures and Demonstrations for Education and Training in General Nursing was approved, and the Registrar was authorised to have the Syllabus printed off for distribution.

With reference to the above report, the approval of the Board of Health to the Draft Rules of the Scottish Council was obtained on 29th ult. and the Register of the Scottish Council is now open. It contains, in addition to the General Part, Supplementary Parts for (1) Male Nurses; (2) Mental Nurses; (3) Nurses for Mental Defectives; (4) Sick Children's Nurses; and (5) Fever Nurses.

Nurses who completed their training before 1st November, 1919, or had been engaged in practice for three years before that date are entitled to apply for registration as "Existing Nurses," and nurses who completed their training subsequent to that date are entitled to apply for admission as "Nurses in Training before Issue of Rules."

We are glad to be able to give a satisfactory report of the progress of Miss Cox-Davies. The last news is that she is "decidedly better." It will be received with much pleasure by her many friends.

£2,000 has been bequeathed by Mr. George Henry Simmonds, of Murdoch Road, Woking, to his nurse, Miss Elizabeth Wilkinson, "for her devoted and faithful service for many years".

After 35 years' work Sister Colbeck has resigned her position at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington.

THE MATRONS' COUNCIL OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

The quarterly meeting of the Matrons' Council was held at the Club of the Royal British Nurses Association, 194, Queen's Gate, S.W., on Saturday, July 30th, in the absence of the President the chair was taken by the Hon. Treasurer, Miss S. A. Villiers.

Letters were read from Miss Purvis (Middlesbrough), Miss Hurlston (Bournemouth), Miss Wallis (St. Leonards-on-Sea), and the Hon. Secretary instructed as to the replies to be sent.

Applications for membership were received and the applicants elected to membership.

A Resolution was adopted pointing out to the National Council of Women of Great Britain and Ireland that now that Nursing was a profession legalised by Act of Parliament it was very essential that it should be represented on the Executive Committee of the National Council, as the Nurses' Associations have long felt that they do not care to continue to subscribe to women's organizations on which they have no representation, or power of expression on the Executive Committee.

It was decided to nominate Miss S. M. Marsters, who expressed her willingness to attend the Annual Conference of the National Council of Women at Sheffield, at the end of September, as a Representative of the Matrons' Council, and to nominate the Hon. Treasurer Miss S. A. Villiers, who consented to stand for election as a candidate for the Executive Committee as the representative of an Affiliated Society.

The Council accepted with pleasure the invitation of Miss Lamb, Matron of the Claybury Mental Hospital, to meet there in October.

The Chairman congratulated Miss Steuart Donaldson, a Member of the Council, on its behalf on her appointment as Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, and welcomed Miss Child, who has returned to England after many years of work in South Africa.

The business meeting then terminated.

THE RULES FOR REGISTRATION.

THE CHAIRMAN then invited Mrs. Bedford Fenwick to explain the Rules for Registration just published by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, and in doing so Mrs. Fenwick said it was a special pleasure to her to speak first to the Matrons' Council on this subject, as the Council had always taken an active part in promoting State Registration of Nurses, and never wavered in its adherence to this reform. In reviewing the whole of the Rules she pointed out that the legal title of "Registered Nurse" had been secured to the women nurses on the General Register. Other legal titles in connection with the Supplementary Registers were "Registered Male Nurse," "Registered Fever Nurse," "Registered Sick Children's Nurse," and "Registered Mental Nurse," and that these titles would be inscribed on the Certificate. That nurses trained up to November 1st, 1919, who claim to be regis-

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