

## The Midwife.

### CENTRAL MIDWIVES' BOARD.

A meeting of the Central Midwives' Board was held at the Board Room, 1, Queen Anne's Gate Buildings, Westminster, on February 23rd, Sir Francis Champneys, Bart., Chairman of the Board, presiding.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received notifying the re-election of the following members of the Board as the representatives of the bodies named:—

The Royal College of Physicians: Sir Francis Champneys, Bart., M.P., F.R.C.P.

The Royal College of Surgeons of England: Mr. Walter Spencer Anderson Griffith, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.C.S.

The County Councils Association: Mr. Leonard Henry West, O.B.E., LL.D.

The Incorporated Midwives' Institute: Mr. John Shields Fairbairn, M.B., F.R.C.P., F.R.C.S.; Miss Mabelle Elizabeth Pearson; and Miss Anna Albertina Isabella Pollard.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

Letters were received from the Town Clerks of Bristol, Portsmouth, Stoke-on-Trent, and West Ham, stating that their respective authorities support the action of the Manchester City Council in objecting to the carrying and administration by midwives of preparations containing opium. It was resolved to send to these authorities a copy of the Resolution on this question passed by the Board at its meeting on November 17th, 1921.

#### APPLICATIONS.

The following applications were granted:—

*For Approval as Lecturer.*—Frank Grégoire Proudfoot, M.D.; Frederick Everard Row, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.; and William Duncan Sturrock, M.D.

*For Approval as Teacher.*—Midwives Elizabeth Alletta Clark-Kennedy (No. 47,150), Mary Pickavance (No. 47,369), Gertrude Amelia Swift (No. 26,946), and Frances Annie Wood (No. 33,295); and the application of Midwife Bertha Agnes Taylor (No. 52,013), subject to conditions.

The Secretary reported that, in conformity with the Board's Resolutions of July 25th, 1918, and October 14th, 1920, he had placed on the Roll the names of the following women holding a Certificate of having passed the Examination of the Central Midwives' Board for Scotland or the Central Midwives' Board for Ireland, as the case may be: Annie Mary Kelly (No. 56,153), Annie Pearson McBeath Laing (No. 56,154), and Margaret Sutherland Swanson (No. 56,155).

*Applications for Voluntary Removal of Name from the Roll.*—Applications were received from twelve women for the removal of their names

from the Roll on the grounds specified. The Secretary was directed to remove their names from the Roll, and in eleven instances to cancel their certificates. In the twelfth case the Board accepted a declaration made by the midwife before a registered medical practitioner stating her inability to send in her certificate owing to the fact that it had been destroyed.

### THE MIDWIVES (IRELAND) ACT, 1918, IN ITS APPLICATION TO NORTHERN IRELAND.

The following Order in Council was made on January 31st, and published in the *London Gazette* of February 3rd:—

The Midwives (Ireland) Act, 1918, in its application to Northern Ireland shall have effect with the following adaptations:—

(a) references to the Privy Council shall be construed as references to the Privy Council of Ireland; the reference to the Lord President of the Council shall be construed as a reference to the Lord Lieutenant; and references to the Central Midwives Board and to the Midwives Roll shall, respectively, be construed as references to the Central Midwives Board for Northern Ireland and to the Midwives Roll for Northern Ireland;

(b) in section three references to Ireland shall be construed as references to Northern Ireland; and the reference to Dublin shall be construed as a reference to Belfast; and in sub-section (1) of the same section "After the first day of December, 1921," shall be substituted for "On the passing of this Act"; "two" shall be substituted for "three," "one shall be substituted for "two," "two registered medical practitioners" shall be substituted for "four registered medical practitioners," and "three women" shall be substituted for "four women";

(c) every woman who immediately before the appointed day is certified under the said Act shall in Northern Ireland be deemed to have been certified under and for the purpose of the said Act in its application to Northern Ireland.

### THE TREASURE COT.

The Treasure Cot Co., whose specialities are so well known to and appreciated by our readers, have now removed to larger and more accessible premises at No. 103, Oxford Street, London (nearly opposite Bourne & Hollingsworth). There are extensive showrooms on the first and second floors and a beautiful display of articles dear to the heart of every mother, and suitable for Baby and the Nursery. Nurses and Midwives should make a point of inspecting them.

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