

### COLLEGE OF NURSING, LTD.

The College of Nursing, Ltd., will hold its annual meeting at the Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, London, W., on June 22nd, when the Seventh Annual Report will be submitted. The College costs £7,611 16s. 1d. to run, and has a deficit this year of £1,403 12s. 1d. on the General Fund. The Scottish and Irish Branches cost headquarters upwards of £1,000 in grants. Surely it is time they should pay their own expenses. The English Local Centres are largely financed by social events, such as dances, sales, jumble and otherwise—and could not exist for a day on fees and subscriptions. We fear this is true of many women's organisations.

#### THE VOTING PAPER.

The Voting Paper for the Council contains the names of twenty candidates for eight vacancies, for which sixteen Matrons and Superintendents, one private nurse, one sister, and two doctors, are nominated. Sir Edwin Cooper-Perry, the Hon. Secretary (who is the College) and Dr. E. J. Maclean, of Cardiff (who, we note, has given a donation of £25 to the Cardiff Branch) are the two medicos on the list.

When shall we see a fairer percentage of sisters and nurses on the Council, and amongst the Hon. Officers? We wonder!

#### THE COWDRAY CLUB.

The Cowdray Club, at 20, Cavendish Square, registered as the Nation's Nurses and Professional Women's Club, Ltd., is to be opened on June 22, at 4 p.m., and the Foundation Stone of the College Building is to be laid, followed by a Reception at the Club.

The subscription to the Club for College Members is £1 5s.; to other nurses and professional women £2 10s.—little enough on which to carry on a club in Cavendish Square, and we can hardly believe College nurses will appreciate membership at the expense of colleagues, and other professional workers, as is inevitable if £2 10s. is a just subscription for others.

The fact is that after the gift of the Club, College members showed little inclination to keep it up, so it was made into a company club for women, professional and otherwise. Our experience goes to prove that nurses make little use of a club. What they need and patronise is a hostel, where they can live in; and a large number of bedrooms is imperative if nurses' clubs are made to cover expenses. Cavendish Square is now a "hot bed" of women's clubs—V.A.D.s (very well managed) at No. 30; Service Sisters at 34; and the "Pioneer," at 12, Cavendish Place—all urgently in need of more bedrooms.

### FEVER NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

The Fever Nurses' Association held its annual meeting at the City Hospital, Bradford, on May 27th, and a welcome was extended to it by the Lord Mayor.

Dr. J. J. Buchan, medical officer to the city,

said that in a medical sense nothing had raised the standard of public health more than the fever hospital had done. It was the beginning of municipal care of the sick, and had done its work so well that there is now much less infectious disease than formerly.

Dr. Kitchin was inducted as president of the Association for the ensuing year, and in his address said that the nursing of fever cases was not to be looked down upon. The nursing of typhoid had long been considered the hall mark of medical nursing.

The Association has 2,808 certificate holders.

The Fever Nurses' Association has done very good work in the past in co-ordinating education and holding examinations for fever nurses, but now that Nursing is a legally-constituted profession by Act of Parliament, medical men should stand aside and support the principle of self-determination for nurses, which as a profession, they themselves enjoy to the full, and elect to the senior official and executive positions members of the Nursing Profession. There are many most able and admirable women with long service in our Fever Hospitals well-fitted to occupy positions of responsibility in their own profession.

### APPOINTMENTS.

#### MATRON.

**Knowle Mental Hospital, Fareham, Hants.**—Miss Grace Smith Thomson has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Gartloch Mental Hospital, Glasgow, and has been Chief Head Nurse at the Newcastle City Mental Hospital, Matron at Rampton State Institution, Matron at Maghull Military Hospital during the war, where she was awarded the Royal Red Cross (first class) for her services, and is at present Chief Head Nurse at the Darent Industrial Colony.

**South Ealing, Chiswick, and Ealing Isolation Hospital.**—Miss A. F. Hindle has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the North Staffordshire Infirmary, and has been Theatre Sister at the National Hospital, Queen Square, Bloomsbury, Night Superintendent at Charing Cross Hospital, Sister-in-Charge of Oxted Auxiliary Hospital, Assistant Matron at Cumberland Infirmary, and Assistant Matron and Matron of East Ham Borough Isolation Hospital.

#### SISTER TUTOR.

**Wolverhampton and Staffordshire General Hospital, Wolverhampton.**—Miss Muriel Benington has been appointed Sister-Tutor. She was trained at the London Hospital, and has been Sister in Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service, has been through a course of training at King's College Hospital for Women, and holds a Health Visitors' Certificate under the Ministry of Health Regulations, 1919.

#### SISTER.

**Hospital for Women and Children, Plaistow, E.**—Miss Mary M. Stone has been appointed Sister. She was trained at Middlesex Hospital, W., where she has been Ophthalmic Sister. She has also been (Military) Sister at the Royal Hospital, Richmond, Surrey, and at a Private Hospital in Australia.

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