

MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

A meeting of the International Council of Nurses for the transaction of business is to be held at Copenhagen during the week May 22nd to 27th, 1922. The invitations will be issued by Mrs. Henny Tscherning, President of the International Council and the Danish Nurses' Association. The arrangements are being agreed between Mrs. Tscherning and Miss L. L. Dock, Hon. Secretary, and Miss M. Breay, Hon. Treasurer.

Copenhagen is a lovely city, and the Danish Nurses' Association very efficiently organised, so the invitation will, we feel sure, meet with hearty response. At present the following National Associations of Nurses form the International Council:—The National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland, the American Nurses' Association, the Canadian Nurses' Association, the New Zealand Nurses' Association, the Trained Nurses' Association of India, the German Nurses' Association, the Dutch Nurses' Association (Nosokomos), the Danish Nurses' Association, and the Nurses' Association of Finland.

Applications for affiliation have been received from the Norwegian, Italian, and Chinese Nurses' organisations, and it is to be hoped that the Trained Nurses' Association of South Africa will also be ready to come in. The Danish nurses are anxious to discuss several questions of international interest.

A meeting of our National Council will be held at an early date, when it is hoped to admit new Leagues of Nurses in time to take part in discussing the coming meeting at Copenhagen. We hope an Isla Stewart Memorial delegate will go to Denmark to carry on the great personal interest shown by the late Miss Isla Stewart in international nursing intercourse. We well remember when we met on the boat at New York, after the great meeting at Buffalo, U.S.A., in 1901, how she laughed and exclaimed, *à la Topsy*, "'Specs I's grow'd." Travel, meeting our colleagues of other lands, discussing and trying to see their point of view, has a wonderful power of making us grow, and without growth we are in sorry plight.

Miss B. Cutler, the Hon. Secretary of our National Council, is preparing for a long visit to South Africa in the near future. Letters addressed to the Office, 431, Oxford Street, London, W., will be dealt with by Miss Breay.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

The Minister of Health has not yet made any official announcement concerning the conditional resignations of members from the General Nursing Council, which is, of course, eagerly awaited by the nursing profession.

We are of opinion that the privileges granted to nurses by Parliament should not be longer rendered ineffective; that the Minister should summon and meet the whole Council, when the reasons for resignations should be laid publicly before him, and the whole question for and against discussed. This is not a matter which can be disposed of in private; there are too many issues involved, both for the Nursing Profession and the public.

WHERE TO REGISTER.

Nurses who wish to be included in the First State Register should not delay to send in their Application Forms.

In England and Wales.—Apply to the Registrar, G.N.C., 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, London, N.W.

In Scotland.—Apply to the Registrar, 13, Melville Street, Edinburgh.

In Ireland.—Apply to the Registrar, 33, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.

GLIMPSES OF CHRISTMAS.

VIEW DAY AT ST. MARYLEBONE INFIRMARY.

View Day at the St. Marylebone Infirmary, Notting Hill, W., held this Christmas on December 29th, on the invitation of Miss M. E. Broadbent, Chairman of the Infirmary Committee, was a very pleasant function. The wards were on view from 3 to 6 p.m., and tea was served in the Board Room at 4 o'clock. It is a day for the meeting of old friends, for not only do guardians, rate-payers, and other friends of the institution make a point of visiting it, but nurses trained in the Nursing School re-assemble in force. This year there were also other interesting visitors, for the group of International Nursing Students now taking the course in public health work at Bedford College, are working in the wards of the St. Marylebone Infirmary two or three days a week, chiefly in the children's wards, as they wish to see as much as possible of the treatment and nursing of marasmus. Miss Waters in charge of the group, and some of the students were there also on December 29th, keenly interested in all they saw and heard.

Miss Broadbent gave great pleasure by visiting every ward in the Infirmary, no light undertaking when it accommodates some 750 patients. It has

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