

The affection of well-trained nurses for their Alma Mater has brought thousands of pounds to the support of voluntary hospitals of late years, and the great success at Leeds will encourage other Schools to give a helping hand.

As we reported last week, upwards of £3,000 had already been made by the General Infirmary Leeds Nurses' Bazaar towards the new Nurses' Home, and we are not surprised that Alderman Lupton, a warm friend of the nurses, believes that "we offer the best training and turn out the best product of any hospital in the country. . . . Citizens who had benefited by sick nursing ought to help out of gratitude to the nurses."

Leeds University finds no difficulty in securing £10 for its Diploma in Nursing, and has set a good example to the wobbling General Nursing Council for England and Wales, which evidently has little faith in its own status, or desire to secure prestige for the Nursing Profession.

Another magnificent gift for the establishment of a University School of Nursing is announced from the United States. Mrs. Chester C. Bolton, who is a member of the Board of the Visiting Nurse Association of Cleveland, Ohio, has endowed with half a million dollars the new School of Nursing at Western Reserve University.

"Mrs. Bolton's gift is the most wonderful thing that Western Reserve has been offered in years," said Rev. J. D. Williamson, acting president, when making the announcement. "Everyone connected with the University is deeply appreciative, realising that this contribution practically assures for the University a school of nursing that will be a source of pride to the institution, the city, and the State."

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL NURSES' LEAGUE.

Mrs. Hayward sends us splendid news of the result to date of the League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses' Octocentenary Bed Endowment Fund. £700 of the £1,000 has already been collected, and sums are coming in every day; but to ensure the £300 being to hand to enable an announcement to be made that the whole sum has been subscribed on June 9th, at the Annual Meeting of the League, a whip has been sent out, and donations may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. de Segundo, 39, Howitt Road, Belsize Park, N.W.3.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

The thirty-fifth Meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the Ministry of Health on Friday, May 18th, at 2.30 p.m., SIR WILMOT P. HERRINGHAM, K.C.M.G., C.B., M.D., F.R.C.P., Chairman of the Council, presiding.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and confirmed.

Arising out of the Minutes THE CHAIRMAN said he desired to correct an omission he had made when he read the letter from the College of Nursing, Ltd. He had only just received the letter and read the first paragraph, thinking it all referred to the same thing.

THE CHAIRMAN then asked permission to sign the Minutes of the special meeting on May 11th, and this was agreed.

THE CHAIRMAN reported, arising out of the Minutes, that a deputation did go to the House of Commons and interview the Parliamentary Medical Committee in relation to its recommendation as to existing nurses. No conclusion was come to, and there was nothing particular to report, but the Committee thanked them for their attendance, which they said had been of assistance to them.

Correspondence.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

THE CHAIRMAN reported letters of regret at inability to attend the Council Meeting from Miss Smith, Miss Alsop, Miss Musson, Miss Villiers, the Hon. Mrs. Eustace Hills.

LETTERS FROM THE MINISTER OF HEALTH.

THE CHAIRMAN reported a letter from the Minister of Health, dated April 30th, 1923, approving of amendments to Rules 11 (6) and 12 (1). Also a letter from the Minister enclosing a signed copy of the Examination Syllabus.

(The Amendment to Rule 11 (6) deals with the qualifications for the admission of Intermediate Fever Nurses to the Supplementary Part of the Register, and Rule 12 (1) provides for the recognition of the certificate of the Medico-Psychological Association of proficiency in mental nursing, obtained prior to the first State Examination as a qualification for admission to the General Part of the Register if the candidate has, in addition, had two years additional training in a General Hospital or Poor Law Infirmary.)

Reports of Committees.

I.—Report of the Finance Committee.

SIR JENNER VERRALL, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the Report, and moved that it be received.

I. REPORTED—That the Committee has met once—on May 10th, 1923.

II. Recommendation 1.

"That the Bills and Claims submitted for payment be approved."

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