Chairman to carry this out with the advice of the

Recommendation 3.

That this action be approved.

- V. REPORTED—That the Committee raises no objection to Recommendations 20 and 21 of the General Purposes Committee.
- VI. Considered—Recommendation 22 of the General Purposes Committee.

Recommendation 4.

That Recommendation 22 of the General Purposes Committee be deferred until the September Meeting.

(As this was an Amendment, its consideration was deferred until the Report of the General Purposes Committee was presented.)

VII. CONSIDERED—Recommendation 23 of the General Purposes Committee, and approved of same, subject to the insertion of the date, August 7th, for delivery of applications, and the words "the duties to commence on September 12th."

VIII and IX REPORTED—The Committee raised no objection to Recommendation 24 of the General Purposes Committee, and Recommendation 31 of the Uniform Committee.

X. AMENDMENT — The Finance Committee passed the following Amendment to Recommendation 32 (2) (3) of the Uniform Committee:

"That the publication of the booklet be approved, and that its gratuitious issue be also approved, provided that the cost be covered by the obtaining of sufficient advertisements; and that the obtaining of the advertisements be put in the hands of an agent.'

Mr. Donaldson moved that the Report be approved with the exception of Items VI and X, which were in the nature of amendments, and would, therefore, come up for discussion when the Report of the General Purposes Committee was considered.

THE CHAIRMAN mentioned that Item IV would be reported when the transaction was finished.

The Report was then approved.

## 2.—Report of the Registration Committee.

- I. REPORTED—That the Committee has met four times—on June 22nd, June 29th, July 6th and July 13th.
- II. Considered—The following letter, dated June 8th, 1923, from the Ministry of Health on the subject of the Rule for reciprocal registration with Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Ref. 190183-21.]

Ministry of Health, Whitehall, S.W.1. June 81h, 1923.

Madam,—I am directed by the Minister of Health to refer to your letter of the 15th May, forwarding for approval a Rule for the reciprocal registration of nurses registered in Scotland and Ireland. I am to state that the Minister would be glad to be informed whether the proposed Rule has been agreed with the authorities in Scotland and Northern Ireland. I am also to enquire whether the Rule is intended to apply to existing, intermediate, and future nurses, and whether

a further Rule will be submitted to deal with fever

In addition, I am to explain that the proviso to the Rule as drafted is open to objection that it purports to put a duty upon the Scottish and Irish Registrars, and the Minister is advised that it is not within the power of the English Council to make a Rule to this It is suggested, therefore, that one of two alternatives might be adopted, either-

(a) to amend the Rule so as to provide that Registration shall not take effect until the Registrar receives a complete copy of the original entry in

the Register of the county of origin; or,
(b) to add after the words, "on production of a
certificate," the following—
"and of a complete copy of the original entry
in such Register."

The Minister would be glad if the Council would indicate which of these alternatives they would prefer to adopt.

I am, Madam, Your obedient Servant, (Signed) L. G. Brock. The Registrar, General Nursing Council.

The rule referred to was approved by the Council at its meeting on April 20th last, and was forwarded in due course to the Minister for his approval.

It read as follows:

"Any person whose name is included in the General Part of the Register kept by the General Nursing Council for Scotland, or by the Joint Nursing and Midwives' Council (Northern Ireland), or in any Supplementary Part of the same except the Supplementary Part containing the names of Fever Nurses, shall, on making application to the Registrar of this Council, and paying the prescribed fee, and on production of a certificate by the Registrar of the Council on whose Register the said person is registered, to the effect that her name is included in such Register, be entitled to be admitted to the corresponding part or parts of the Register of this Council, provided that in every such case the Registrar of the Council with whom a nurse first registers shall supply to the Registrar of the Council to whom the nurse subsequently applies for Registration a complete copy of the original entry in the former Register with regard to the nurse.
"That the fee for registration in the Register of

the Council for England and Wales under the above Rule shall in each case be one half of the fee charged by the said Council for a first Registration.

In the letter which was referred to the Committee by the Council at its meeting on June 15th, the Ministry ask whether the proposed Rule has been agreed with the authorities in Scotland and Northern Ireland, whether it is intended to apply to existing, intermediate, and future nurses, and whether a further rule will be submitted to deal with Fever Nurses. The answer to each of the first two questions is "Yes." The answer to the third question is that a further rule will be submitted as soon as an agreement has been arrived at between the General Nursing Council for England and Wales and for Scotland on the question of the length of training necessary for admission to the Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses.

Recommendation 5. That a letter in the sense of this report be sent to the Ministry of Health.'

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