

envoyer en échange de la Revue de l'Infirmière et qu'elles suivent tout ce qui se rapporte au mouvement du "Nursing" en Angleterre.

Veuillez recevoir, Madame la Présidente, l'expression de nos sentiments distingués.

Pour la Fédération Nationale des Infirmières,  
La Secrétaire,

L. D'URSEL.

Fédération Nationale des Infirmières Belges.  
Bruxelles.

## QUESTIONS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

### NURSES (REGISTRATION).

On Thursday, July 19th, DR. CHAPPLE asked the Minister of Health whether he can state the number of nurses who have applied for Registration under the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919, up to July 14th, 1923; and whether existing nurses will be eligible for registration if otherwise qualified, should their applications be received within a period of two years from the date on which the recent Order came into operation?

THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH (LORD EUSTACE PERCY): I am informed that up to July 14th, 40,436 applications had been received. After this date, the Council have no power to admit applications for registration as an existing nurse; and the reply to the second part of the question is, therefore, in the negative.

The following question was down in the name of Dr. Chapple for answer on Wednesday, July 25th:—

To ask the Minister of Health whether he has taken the advice of the Law Officers of the Crown upon the power of the General Nursing Council to exclude from the Register existing nurses who, being otherwise qualified, make application for admission within two years from the date on which the rule, made on July 7th, came into operation.

The answer is not published as we go to press.

### TRAINING OF NURSES IN COTTAGE HOSPITALS.

During the meeting of the British Medical Association at Portsmouth last week, Dr. J. McGregor Robertson (Glasgow) objected to a clause in the Council's report which expressed the view that the training of nurses in cottage hospitals not recognised as training schools by the General Nursing Council should be allowed to count, in some proportion, towards the specified three years' training which was necessary before the nurses could register. Dr. E. J. Toye (Barnstaple) referred to the matter as one of life and death to cottage hospitals. Directly nurses found out that

their training there did not count towards obtaining a certificate, they would resign and the cottage hospitals would be faced with a dilemma.

Why not solve it by staffing them with Registered Nurses? The patients would greatly benefit, and that should be the first aim of the medical profession.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRON.

Royal Infirmary, Bristol.—Miss E. E. P. MacManus has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, London, 1908—1911. She did private nursing in Cairo in 1912, during which time she acted as Holiday Sister at the Government Hospital. She has also been Sister at the King's Lynn Hospital; Sister at Guy's Hospital; and Night Sister in the Preliminary Training School; Sister in France, Q.A.I.M.N.S.R., 1915-1918; Assistant Matron, Guy's Hospital; and has recently been Assistant to Dr. H. Chann, Nutrition Experiment for Medical Research Council, 1923. She is a Certified Midwife; and holds the Health Visitor's Certificate, Royal Sanitary Institute.

### QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

#### TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Mary I. Burgess is appointed to New Malden; Miss Mary J. Dillon, to Manchester (Ardwick); Miss Lenora Grenfell, to Berkhamsted; Miss Margaret M. Picken, to Hebburn; Miss Louisa Wane, to Thornton and Cleveleys.

## PRESENTATION.

A silver tea tray, with nest of tables, and card table have been presented to Miss Campbell, late Matron of Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, by her past nurses on the occasion of her wedding, which took place in Edinburgh, on July 18th. Miss Campbell greatly appreciates the gift, and desires to thank all those who subscribed.

## THE PASSING BELL.

We record with great regret the death of Miss Georgina Scott, at "Stagsden," West Cliff Road, Bournemouth. Miss Scott was trained as a Nightingale probationer at St. Thomas's Hospital, where she was a contemporary and friend of the late Miss Isla Stewart. She was subsequently appointed Matron of the Sussex County Hospital, a position she held from 1885-1896.

One who knew her well writes: "I became a nurse entirely owing to her inspiration, which took me to St. Thomas's, and her great aim in life always was to perfect the nursing of the sick. Undoubtedly those who had the blessing of being nursed by her could testify that she had great power of inspiring confidence towards life and hope.

"I have met no one in the nursing world of whom it could more truly be said that she had the healing touch.

"I have always held her as my dear friend and teacher of nursing, and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick as my great teacher of professional organisation."

Miss Scott had a fortnight's severe illness and two bad attacks of angina pectoris; but her friends and pupils will be glad to know that the last days were peaceful and free from pain.

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