

handed over to the Building Fund, H.R.H. the Duke of York made a very cordial reply, and paid a tribute to Liverpool's pioneer work in nursing, and expressed his admiration and personal gratitude to the noble nursing profession.

Following an inspection of the new Gynæcological Theatres—on the way to which all patients who were able to be moved were enabled in the corridors to get a close view of Their Royal Highnesses, and the ex-servicemen patients, wearing their war decorations, lined up near the entrance of the Theatres—the Royal Party proceeded to the site of the Corner Stone. On this platform a further detachment of Nurses awaited the arrival of the party, and a pleasing incident here was the presentation of a bouquet of carnations to the Matron by Sister Thomas, on behalf of the Nursing Staff.

The following were placed in the Corner Stone for the interest of "those who come after":—

- Copy of *The Times*;
- A Liverpool Newspaper;
- An Annual Report of the Hospital;
- A Souvenir Booklet of the Stone-laying Ceremony;
- A list of the names of the Nursing Staff as it was constituted on July 24th;
- One of each of the current coins of the day.

We have before us the beautiful printed "Souvenir" of the visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York. This booklet contains a perspective view and plans of the building of the new Nurses' Home when completed, which will comprise six floors, to accommodate the Matron, two Home Sisters, nineteen Sisters, one hundred and nineteen nurses, and eleven maids, with room for extension.

The approximate cost of the whole building is estimated to be £100,000, and is to be built in instalments. The cost of an average floor will be about £20,000, a typical nurses' room with fixed furniture would be about £250; and it is suggested that donors might desire to give a round sum to enable a set of nurses' rooms to be built, or a wing or a floor completed, and to have the donor's family name permanently associated with such definite portion of the new Home. The exterior plan as presented of the whole building is exceedingly handsome and harmonious, and should add greatly to the dignity of the Royal Infirmary, the comfort and educational advantages of the nursing staff, and, in consequence, of the well-being and happiness of the patients.

With provision for a "prescribed" system of training granted by Parliament in the Nurses' Registration Act, and only awaiting a more enlightened General Nursing Council, composed of a younger generation of medical practitioners, and free representatives of the Nursing Profession, to have it put into effect, and thus secure for probationers in training their statutory rights in this connection, the new Nurses' Home at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, should attract an abundant supply of refined and intelligent girls to study Nursing and make it their lives' work. No career is more satisfying to girls of noble nature.

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3. Report of the Education and Examination Committee.

MISS LLOYD STILL, Chairman of the Committee, moved that the Report be received.

I. REPORTED—That the Committee has met three times—June 19th, 26th, and July 10th, 1923.

II. CONSIDERED—Letter from the Ministry of Health, dated June 12th, 1923 (*see Minutes of Council, June 15th, 1923*), referred to Committee).

In accordance with the request of the Ministry the Committee submit the Syllabus of Subjects for Examination for Fever Nurses. The Committee has also examined the Syllabus of Subjects for Mental Nurses and those nursing Mental Defectives, forwarded to them by the Chairman of the Mental Nursing Committee.

Recommendation 10.

"That the Syllabus of Subjects for Examination for Fever Nurses be approved and forwarded to the Minister of Health for his signature."

Recommendation 11.

"That the Syllabus of Training in Fever Nursing approved at the Council Meeting on March 16th, 1923, be issued on the authority of the Council."

Recommendation 12.

"That the Syllabus of Subjects for Examination for Mental Nurses and those nursing Mental Defectives be approved and forwarded to the Minister of Health for his signature."

(Consideration deferred.)

Recommendation 13.

"That the Syllabus of Training for Mental Nurses and those nursing Mental Defectives approved at the Council Meeting on April 20th, 1923, be issued on the authority of the Council."

(Consideration deferred.)

III. CONSIDERED—Further list of General Hospitals and Poor Law Hospitals whose authorities have replied to inquiries instituted by the Council.

Recommendation 14.

"That the following Hospitals be recognised as Complete Training Schools:—

- General—Royal Hospital, Salford.
- Royal Hospital, Richmond, Surrey.
- St. John's Hospital, Lewisham.

Recommendation 15.

"That the following Hospitals be recognised as Training Schools which in combination with other Public Hospitals give complete training:—

Under Section I. (2) of the Scheme of Training—

- Eccles and Patricroft Hospital (in affiliation with Royal Hospital, Salford).
- Victoria Hospital, Accrington (in affiliation with Royal Hospital, Salford).
- Rochford Union Infirmary (in affiliation with Hackney Union Infirmary).

Under Section I. (3) (ii) of the Scheme of Training.—

- Wingfield Orthopaedic Hospital, Headington (in affiliation with Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford).
- Birmingham & Midland Hospital for Women (in affiliation with Lincoln County Hospital).

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