

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

OCTOBER PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

The written part of the October Examination, held under the authority of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, will take place at the various Centres on October 14th. The Oral and Practical part will follow about a week later, and each candidate, when she appears on October 14th, will be notified of the place, date and time of her Oral and Practical Examination.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

The number of Nurses presenting themselves for examination in all subjects by the General Nursing Council for Scotland at its recent Examination was 82, of whom 71 passed in Anatomy and Physiology, 62 in Hygiene and 65 in Elementary Theory and Practice of Nursing, Part I. In addition, one Candidate who had failed at a previous Examination was examined and passed in Hygiene and Elementary Theory and Practice of Nursing, Part I; six such Candidates were examined and passed in Hygiene only; and three such Candidates were examined and passed in Elementary Theory and Practice of Nursing, Part I only.

JOINT NURSING AND MIDWIVES' COUNCIL FOR NORTHERN IRELAND.

The first Preliminary Examination will be held in October, commencing on the 29th of that month.

Applications for admission to the examination must be made on special forms, which will be obtainable from the Registrar, 118, Great Victoria Street, Belfast, up to September 17th, 1924. Applications, fully completed, must reach the Registrar not later than Wednesday, October 1st, 1924.

MEETING OF JOINT COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Joint Nursing and Midwives' Council for Northern Ireland was held recently at 118, Great Victoria Street, Belfast. Lt.-Col. W. R. Dawson presided, and the other members present were—Misses Campbell, Kelly, McComb, and Professor Johnstone, M.P. A letter was received from Down County Infirmary undertaking to appoint a Sister Tutor to train the nurses, and in view of this it was agreed to accept the hospital as a training school under the new regulations. In response to a request from the Belfast Corporation, it was decided to receive a joint deputation from that body and the Belfast Board of Guardians to discuss some points in the regulations. A number of rules and regulations in connection with the training and examination of nurses were finally adopted as amended, and nearly all were ordered to be sealed with the official seal and submitted for the approval of the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland. It was decided to charge fees of £2 2s. for the preliminary State Examination, and £3 3s. for the final. The application of the Rescue and Maternity Home, Malone Place, Belfast, to continue to be recognised for the training of midwives was unanimously acceded to.

REGISTER OF NURSES IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

Attention is called to the publication in the *Belfast Gazette* for August 1st, 1924, of a notice from the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland that a Register of Nurses has been compiled by the above Joint Council, pursuant to the provisions of the Nurses' Registration (Ireland) Act, 1919, as amended by the Joint Nursing and Midwives Council Act (Northern Ireland), 1922. Under Section 8 of the first-mentioned Act, any person who, not

being registered under the Act, at any time after the expiration of three months from the date of publication of the above issue of the *Belfast Gazette*, takes or uses the name or title of registered nurse, either alone or in combination with any other words or letters, or any name, title, addition, description, uniform, or badge implying that he or she is so registered or is recognised by law as a registered nurse; or being included in one part of the Register acts as above or does anything else implying that his or her name is included in some other part of the Register; or with intent to deceive uses any certificate of registration as a nurse issued under the above Act; is liable to a fine of £10 for a first and £50 for any subsequent offence.

ROLL OF MIDWIVES IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

A Roll of Midwives in Northern Ireland has also been compiled, in pursuance of the Midwives (Ireland) Act, 1919, as amended by the Joint Nursing and Midwives Council Act (Northern Ireland), 1922.

Copies of the said Register of Nurses and Roll of Midwives, containing the names of all nurses registered and midwives enrolled in Northern Ireland up to December 31st, 1923, may be obtained from the Registrar of the Joint Council at 118, Great Victoria Street, Belfast, prices respectively, 3s. 6d. and 2s. 6d.

THE REGISTRAR.

STATE EXAMINATIONS.

The following questions were set in the Optional Final Examinations held by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales in July for the Supplementary Parts of the Register.

OPTIONAL EXAMINATION FOR THE FEVER NURSES REGISTER.

Morning Paper.—Anatomy and Physiology.

(Time allowed 2 hours).

(ONE question *only* to be answered from each of the sections A, B, C and D).

A.

1. What structures enter into the formation of the thorax? Name the organs in the thorax and describe their relative positions.

or

2. Name the bones which enter into the formation of the upper limb, and describe the elbow joint.

B.

3. State what you know of the following:—(a) Meninges; (b) Tympanum; (c) Pancreas; (d) Ureter.

or

4. Give a description of the structure of the skin and state its functions.

C.

5. Describe the heart, and give a short description of the pulmonary circulation.

or

6. Name in order the parts of the alimentary canal from the mouth to the rectum, and the secretions which enter each part.

D.

7. What is respiration? Describe what occurs in the process.

or

8. What are the principal constituents of milk? What changes does it undergo during the process of digestion and absorption?

Afternoon Paper. Fevers and Fever Nursing.

(Time allowed 2 hours).

(TWO questions *only* are to be answered from section A and TWO questions *only* from section B).

SECTION A.—FEVERS.

1. What is meant by the term "incubation period"? Give the incubation periods of the following diseases:—Diphtheria,

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