

**GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.**

Proceedings at Meeting held at 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on Friday, January 9th, 1925.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., occupied the Chair, and ten Members were present.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod was unanimously re-elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year, and Col. D. J. Mackintosh, C.B., M.V.O., was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman.

The following Committees were appointed for the ensuing year:—

*Registration Committee.*—Miss Gill (Convener), Miss Burleigh, Miss Davidson, Miss Donald, Miss Edmondson, Miss Fraser, Miss Merchant, Miss Thomas, Miss White.

*Education and Examination Committee.*—Col. Mackintosh (Convener), Sir John Lorne MacLeod, Miss Milnes, Miss Burleigh, Dr. Chalmers, Miss Davidson, Miss Edmondson, Miss Fraser, Miss Gill, Miss Merchant, Dr. Rogers, Miss Thomas, Miss White.

*Finance Committee.*—Dr. Clark (Convener), Sir John Lorne MacLeod, Miss Milnes, Dr. Chalmers, Miss Davidson, Miss Edmondson, Miss Gill, Col. D. J. Mackintosh, Dr. Rogers, Miss Thomas.

*Uniform Committee.*—Miss White (Convener), Miss Burleigh, Miss Donald, Miss Merchant, Miss Thomas.

*Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee.*—Miss White (Convener), Sir John Lorne MacLeod, Dr. Chalmers, Miss Davidson, Miss Edmondson, Col. Mackintosh, Dr. Rogers.

The report of the Education and Examination Committee was approved.

Included in the correspondence dealt with was a letter from the Joint Nursing and Midwives' Council, Northern Ireland, enquiring the Council's reasons for allowing Candidates who have failed in one or more subjects of the Preliminary Examination to sit again for those subjects only in which they had failed in place of the whole Examination. In terms of the recommendation of the Committee, the Council resolved to adhere to their regulation, which they considered was the most usual one in such examinations.

A letter was submitted from the Divisional Secretary of the Medico-Psychological Association stating that the following had been appointed the Advisory Committee of the Association to meet the Education and Examination Committee of the Council:—Professor G. M. Robertson, Tipperlinn House, Morningside Place, Edinburgh; Dr. John Keay, Bangour Village, Dechmont, West Lothian; Dr. T. C. Mackenzie, District Asylum, Inverness; Dr. R. Worth, Springfield Mental Hospital, near Tooting, London, S.W.17; Dr. M. J. Nolan, District Asylum, Down Patrick, Co. Down; Dr. Wm. M. Buchanan, Kirkland's Mental Hospital, Bothwell.

Some additional names were added to the Panel of Examiners and the arrangements were approved for the Preliminary Examination to be held in February.

We are asked by the General Nursing Council for Scotland to emphasise to nurses who have completed their training between November 1st, 1919, and the present time that they should now send in their applications for registration. The period of grace for such nurses expires in Scotland on September 30th next, and the Council fears that, as happened when the period of grace for existing nurses closed, large numbers of applications will arrive too late, the applicants stating that they were not aware of the last date for applying.

We would also remind Intermediate Nurses in England and Wales (*i.e.*, "every person who, not being qualified to obtain admission to the Register as an Existing Nurse, desires to obtain admission thereto before July, 1925, on which date the training and examination rules come into

operation") that they should apply for Registration to the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1, without delay.

**APPOINTMENTS.****MATRONS.**

*West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Gloucester Gate, Regent's Park, N.W.1.*—Miss Kathleen Anna Smith, S.R.N., R.R.C., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Hampshire Hospital, Winchester, and has been Ward Sister, Assistant Matron, and Housekeeping Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, Matron of the West Kent Hospital, Maidstone, Matron as a Member of the Territorial Army Nursing Service of the 5th Southern General Hospital, Portsmouth, 73 General Hospital British Expeditionary Force, and 37 C.C.S. Rhine Army. Matron Ministry of Pensions Nursing Service, Liverpool and Orpington Hospitals, and Matron of the London Temperance Hospital. Twice mentioned in despatches. Awarded Royal Red Cross, January, 1916.

*Royal Chest Hospital, City Road, E.C.*—Miss Beatrice Matthews, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Portsmouth Infirmary, and has been Nurse-Matron at the Isolation Hospital, Chippenham, Wilts., Assistant Matron at the Royal Chest Hospital, City Road, E.C., and Matron at the Devon and Cornwall Sanatorium, South Brent.

*Infectious Diseases Hospital, East Ham.*—Miss Helena Mary McLoughlin, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Harold Court Sanatorium, Harold Wood, nr. Romford, Essex, and at the Royal Portsmouth Hospital, and has been Assistant Matron at the Ilford Isolation Hospital, and Acting Matron of the Military Hospital, Ipswich, Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R.).

**ASSISTANT MATRON.**

*Three Counties Mental Hospital, Arlesey, Beds.*—Miss E. M. Field has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Lewisham Hospital, London, S.E., and has been Assistant Matron at the James Murray Royal Asylum, Perth, and the Glasgow Royal Asylum, and Sister at Dunblane War Hospital.

**SECOND ASSISTANT MATRON.**

*Southern Convalescent Hospital (M.A.B.), Dartford, Kent.*—Miss Alice Evans, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Second Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Whipps Cross Hospital, and has held the following appointments under the Metropolitan Asylums Board:—Staff Nurse at the Park Hospital, and the South-Eastern Hospital, Sister at the South-Eastern Hospital, Staff Nurse and Sister, Military Service (France), 1915-1919, and Sister at the South-Eastern Hospital since 1919.

*Ham Green Hospital and Sanatorium, Bristol.*—Miss A. Knox, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor and Second Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Royal Hospital, Chesterfield, in general nursing, and at the Borough Hospital, Dewsbury, in fever nursing. She has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Royal Infirmary, Bradford, Sister at the General Infirmary, Warrington, and Night Sister, at the Royal Hospital, Chesterfield, and has taken a course of housekeeping and administrative work.

**QUEEN'S NURSE.**

*District Nursing Association, Thornhill, Perthshire.*—Miss Ann O. Gemmill has been appointed Queen's Nurse at Thornhill, Perthshire. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Dundee, and then obtained district experience in connection with the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute. She has also a Health Visitors' Certificate, and is a Certified Midwife.

**QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.**

Sister Miss D. M. C. Michell, R.R.C., retires on retired pay, January 2nd, 1925, with permission to retain the badge of Q.A.I.M.N.S.

**OVERSEAS NURSING ASSOCIATION.**

The Overseas Nursing Association have made a number of appointments of Nurses, with good hospital certificates, for private posts, 13; in government hospitals, 50; and non-government hospitals, 8. The nurses working under the Association do most useful work in places as diverse as Ceylon, Newfoundland, Shanghai, Tanganyika Territorial, Uganda, the Falkland Islands and many other outposts of Empire.

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