

SIR WILMOT HERRINGHAM agreed with SIR JENNER VERRALL, and proposed that Section (1) should run: "the Council shall appoint a Chairman and *Vice Chairman*," &c. Section (2): "If the Office of Chairman or *Vice Chairman* become vacant during the year," &c. (3): "In the event of two or more persons being nominated for the Office of Chairman or *Vice-Chairman*," &c. (4): "In the event of *neither Chairman nor Vice-Chairman* being present," &c. This entailed an amending of the original resolution which was accepted by Dr. Goodall, and supported by Miss Cox-Davies, and the motion as amended was carried by 16 votes to 3, Miss Bushby, Miss Villiers, and Miss Wiese voting against it.

MISS BUSHBY enquired whether the Vice-Chairman would be nominated, as the Chairman is, or balloted for.

SIR WILMOT HERRINGHAM said the Chairman was always balloted for.

On the motion of Sir Jenner Verrall, seconded by the Rev. G. B. Cronshaw, it was agreed that the Vice-Chairman should be a member of all Committees.

POINTS TO NOTE AND REMEMBER.

We are glad to note that three members of the Council voted against the alteration of the Rules to provide for the appointment of a Vice-Chairman. We are of opinion that it will make for disorganisation and friction if the officials are to refer points which may arise in the course of their work to another member of the Council, over the head of the Chairman, for advice and settlement. So far this has not been necessary with either of the previous Chairmen, and we fail to understand the need now that there is a nurse in the Chair. Presumably the Council will not be able to make the appointment until January next, if the Rules are amended as suggested. If it is made we hope that an elected, and not a nominated, member of the Council will be chosen.

In connection with Miss Bushby's enquiry *re* the nomination of the Vice-Chairman, it should be noted that nomination papers are sent to the Members of the Council, which

places them in a most invidious position. The Central Midwives' Board elects its Chairman by means of folded slips placed in a receptacle circulated at the time of the election.

CUPID AND THE G.N.C.

THE REV. G. B. CRONSHAW AND MISS D. WARDLE.

The marriage of the Rev. G. B. Cronshaw, M.A., Fellow and Bursar of Queen's College, Oxford, a member of the General Nursing Council, with Miss Dorothy Wardle will take place in London early in April.

STATE EXAMINATION OF NURSES

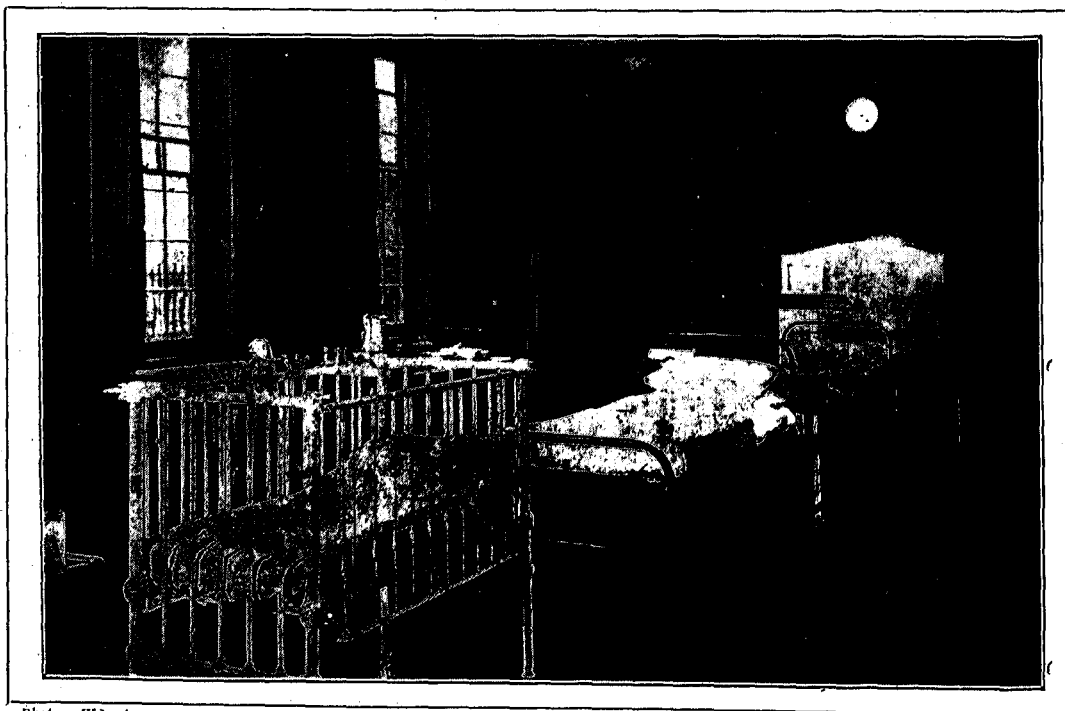
At the Royal Northern Hospital.

The first state examination to be held at the Royal Northern Hospital took place from February 2nd to the 5th. Many of the nurses from the large London hospitals were among the first candidates to be examined at this new centre. One saw nurses from Guy's, Barts', the London, with many fever, mental, and poor-law nurses waiting in the crowd—all having to face the one portal examination to gain them their place on the State Register for England and Wales. Probationers Kelby and Rogers were given the honour of being the first nurses to be examined by the State Examiners in their own training school. The Registrar and the Examinations Officer for England and Wales visited the "centre" on Tuesday morning, and expressed their great delight with all the arrangements and equipment prepared for the examination.

In the afternoon, Miss Bushby, a member of the General Nursing Council, came and visited the Examiners, and they informed her that the Royal Northern Hospital was an "ideal centre." Long may it keep this reputation!

Sister Brown and Sister Harden were appointed as the assistants to the Examiners for the duration of the examinations.

By the kindness of Mr. Gilbert Panter, Secretary of the Royal Northern Hospital, we are able to reproduce the



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CENTRE OF NURSES' SITTING ROOM, PREPARED FOR A STATE EXAMINATION FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THE ROYAL NORTHERN HOSPITAL, HOLLOWAY ROAD, LONDON, N.

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