

in that behalf or in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council or the Air Council."

**The Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee.**

The Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee reported that they had met once. They considered *in camera* further information regarding a Disciplinary Case reported to the Council on February 17th, and a case of supposed personation reported to the Council on May 18th.

**Mental Nursing.**

The Mental Nursing Committee reported that it had met on November 6th. It made no report.

**Correspondence Interviews and Permits.**

The General Purposes Committee reported that the correspondence dealt with in the office between October 1st and 31st, amounted to 11,285 letters received, and 23,579 despatched, the interviews numbered 260, and 145 permits were issued for the State uniform.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for December 21st, and the Press then withdrew.

**THE STATE EXAMINATIONS.**

The results of the State Examinations are as under :—

OCTOBER, 1928.

**PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.**

	Entered.	Absent.	Present.	Passed.	Failed.
Complete Examination	2,332	100	2,232	1,696	536
Re-entries for Part Examination	206	7	199	136	63

Percentage of Failures, Complete Examination, 24 per cent.; Re-entries for Part Examination, 31.6 per cent.

**FINAL EXAMINATION.**

Examination.	General Register.	Supplementary Parts of the Register.			
		Male Nurses.	Mental Nurses.	Sick Children's Nurses.	Fever Nurses.
<b>Entered—</b>					
Whole	1,473	1	25	80	193
Part	271	1	2	13	25
<b>Absent—</b>					
Whole	42	—	1	—	6
Part	12	—	1	—	2
<b>Present—</b>					
Whole	1,431	1	24	79	187
Part	259	1	1	13	23
<b>Passed—</b>					
Whole	1,140	1	18	59	137
Part	162	1	1	10	13
<b>Failed—</b>					
Whole	291	—	6	20	50
Part	97	—	6	3	10
<b>Percentage of Failures—</b>					
Whole	20.3%	—	25%	25.3%	26.7%
Part	37.4%	—	—	23%	43.4%

**GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.**

Sir John Lorne Macleod, G.B.E., LL.D., occupied the Chair and 14 Members of the Council were present at a meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland at 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh. On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee a number of Examiners were appointed to conduct the Council's Examination in February.

It was agreed that in future all Certificates of Registration should be sent to Nurses by Registered Post.

It was remitted to a Sub-Committee to consider suggestions as to minor amendments on the Syllabus.

The Registrar's Report on the October Examinations was considered, showing the numbers attending the Examinations and the percentage of passes. The names of the Nurses who had passed the Final Examination and had attained the age of 21 were ordered to be placed on the Register.

**THE HOSPITAL WORLD.**

**WIMBLEDON HOSPITAL.**

The new wing for Children at the Wimbledon Hospital was opened by H.R.H. Princess Arthur of Connaught on 21st November. The ceremony was attended by nearly 1,000 guests, and the buildings were open for inspection for three days in advance of the official opening.

Her Royal Highness was met at the entrance by the Chairman, Mr. W. George Whiffen, J.P., and the Matron, Miss G. K. Walford, R.R.C., Mr. A. T. Burton, the reverend Hon. Secretary, the Consulting and Senior Medical Officers. His Worship the Mayor, the Mayoress and members of the Corporation were present.

Prayers of dedication were read by the Hon. Chaplain, Canon Monroe. The Princess having cut a golden ribbon and declared the Wing open, a bouquet of roses was presented to her on behalf of the Matron and Nursing Staff by the Senior Probationer, Nurse D. M. Brooks. In the new Board Room presentations of honorary officials and others took place. The Princess inspected the Children's Wards and the General Wards, and then entered a large marquee where purses were presented by about 60 children, the sum raised in this way amounting to £502.

The Chairman addressed the gathering and traced the history of the Hospital. He referred to the presence of Mr. A. T. Burton, who had devoted the past twenty years of his long life in voluntary service as Hon. Secretary of the Hospital. A sum of £7,000 remained as a debt on the present extensions.

Dr. J. E. Bates proposed a vote of thanks to the Princess, which was seconded by the Hon. Chaplain, Canon Monroe. In reply, Her Royal Highness expressed her pleasure in being present. Sir John Power, M.P., also addressed the gathering, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Matron and the Nursing Staff.

Before leaving the Hospital Her Royal Highness visited the Nurses' Home and took tea in the Matron's room. She has graciously consented that one of the new Wards be named the Princess Arthur of Connaught Ward.

Sir Otto Beit has given the sum of £50,000 to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London to be used for the purchase of radium.

The Metropolitan Asylums Board have decided to make application to the Ministry of Health to authorise the expenditure of a sum not exceeding £224,288 on the extension of Queen Mary's Hospital for Children. The expenditure is proposed to be defrayed by means of a loan, to be repaid within thirty years. If this plan is carried out Queen Mary's Hospital for Children will be the largest in the world.

The Governors of the Victoria Hospital, Folkestone have made the following regulation in view of the number of motor accident patients treated at the hospital who make no donation to its funds, although probably receiving compensation themselves :—

In cases of patients admitted by the resident medical officer or by the matron to immediate treatment which has become urgent as the result of a motor accident, each person admitted shall pay for admission at the rate of 11s. 4d. per day, subject, however, to the committee's decision subsequently that these charges be increased, reduced, or remitted.

Mr. W. W. Goodenough, of Broadwell Manor, Lechdale, has been elected Hon. Treasurer of the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, in succession to the Rev. G. B. Cronshaw, who has resigned.

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