

certain age, or the option of a capital sum, and approved the proposal in the Report, that the most advantageous terms for Fellows and Members be made and published in THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

The Report was adopted.

Miss Graham's Report.

Miss Graham's most interesting Report was adopted. She stated that since the last meeting she had visited 28 institutions and hospitals in Scotland and in the West of England and had been given facilities to explain the work of the College to many nurses. The Council were interested to learn that salaries were still very moderate in the West of England—some Sisters being paid as little as £40 a year; also that unregistered nurses were still employed, having failed to register during the term of grace, owing to misunderstanding of the College of Nursing pledge, or through lack of appreciation of legal status.

At one institution the nurses did not desire to listen as they "had promised not to."

It would be interesting to know who had extracted such a pledge from them, as it was evidently not their own Superintendent.

In the opinion of the President, this was evidence of a sad condition of servitude, from which encouragement to realise their sense of personal and professional responsibility could alone emancipate them. This was important work their College would help to do.

Miss Graham was warmly thanked for her courageous campaign.

A Scottish Branch.

An interesting statement by Mrs. Strong, advocating the organisation of a Scottish Branch of the College, was warmly approved, and the Council agreed to consider a scheme at a later date when an increase of Fellows and Members in Scotland proved a wider demand for such a scheme by Scottish Nurses. The President, speaking as a Scottish woman, said the proposal had her sincere approval, but wished such a Branch to be suitably housed and officered, and she earnestly hoped the principle of self-government would appeal more and more to colleagues over the Border, so that a Branch could be successfully launched before long.

Mrs. Strong was thanked for her vigilant interest in support of Scottish Nurses.

Election of Fellows and Members.

Applications from well-trained registered nurses were considered and all were elected.

Draft Rules for Local Consuls.

The Draft Regulations for Local Consuls were read, and it was agreed to circulate them to members of Council for consideration.

The Badge.

A sub-committee was appointed to consider and recommend the form of the College Badge.

The Nomination Paper.

The Draft Nomination Paper for the Council was approved.

Election of Member on the Council for 1928.

As there is a full complement of Fellows on the Council of the B.C.N., now that the number has been

reduced to six instead of nine—there will be no election of Fellows till 1929, when two vacancies will occur in July. The only person to be elected on to the Council this year is one Member, and the procedure will be as follows:—

Nomination Papers can be procured from the Secretary on and after May the 15th. These papers, in order, must be returned to the Secretary by June 1st by every Member. The Ballot Papers will be sent out with names of candidates, the names of their six supporters, and their qualifications, on June 8th. This Ballot Paper must be returned to the Secretary by June 30th, and after the appointed Scrutineers have counted the votes the Candidate who has received the highest number will be elected.

Lists of Members and their addresses will not be supplied from the Office, so that all Candidates will have an equal chance of election without expenditure on a canvassing campaign, which so often results in the return of the Candidate with the greatest financial support.

The Book of Remembrance.

A very beautiful specimen of binding for the Book of Remembrance was approved, and it was agreed to have the inscription drafted for consideration.

It will be remembered that this Book, in which will be inscribed in letters of scarlet and black the names and short record of service of Fellows and Members who die, is a Memorial to the late Miss E. Maude MacCallum, who rendered devoted and courageous service to the Profession of Nursing to within a few weeks of death.

Honour for Fellow.

The Council sent warm congratulations to Miss Margaret Huxley, R.G.N., F.B.C.N., on the well-deserved honour to be conferred upon her by the University of Dublin—the honorary degree of Master of Arts.

Gifts to the College.

Mrs. Fenwick, to the College Library:—

Normal Midwifery for Midwives and Nurses, by Professor G. W. Theobald.

Psychology for Nurses, by Mary Chadwick, S.R.N.
Nursing Mental and Nervous Diseases, by Albert Coulson Buckley, M.D.

Psychology for Nurses, by Maude B. Muse, R.N. A.M.
Parenthood and the Newer Psychology, by Frank Howard Richardson, A.B., M.D.

The Dawn of Character in the Child, by Edith E. Read Mumford, M.A.

Miss Brey:—Heliotherapy, by A. Rollier, M.D.; and flowers.

Miss A. S. Bryson and Staff:—£4 for Books for the Library.

Miss M. G. Allbutt:—A beautiful Coalport plate painted with flowers with mounts of rose, shamrock and thistle.

Miss Dinnie:—Books: *Fabiola*; *Tales of Tirah and Lesser Tibet*; *Prisons and Prisoners*; *Personal Reminiscences of a Great Crusade*, by Josephine E. Butler; *War and Women*.

Miss Cancellor:—Flowers.

Miss F. G. Smyth:—Flowers.

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