

Panel of Examiners; and the name of Miss M. E. Thurnham reincluded in the Panel of Examiners.

Dr. Harold W. Bruce, F.R.C.S., and Dr. Leslie Cunningham, M.R.C.S., have resigned from the Panel of Examiners.

The Committee reported the dates on which the Preliminary and Final Examinations were held, and recommended that the names of those candidates who had satisfied the Examiners be referred to the Registration Committee for Registration; that the appropriate Certificates be granted to each of these candidates, and that authority be given to affix the Seal of the Council to each Certificate.

Disciplinary and Penal Cases.

The Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee reported that it had met once.

NIGHTINGALEIANA.

The latest acquisition of St. Thomas's Hospital is the carriage used by Miss Florence Nightingale in the Crimea, which has been presented to it by the Town Council of Chesterfield. It is, of course, an antiquated type of vehicle with a cane back, and no door, but two steps, from which Miss Nightingale stepped over the side into the carriage. It is in a good state of preservation, and will always be a treasure of treasures to the Nursing School. At present it stands just off the main corridor, where it was an object of great interest and veneration to the members of the Nightingale Fellowship, who met at the Hospital on December 5th. A coach-house is to be built for the carriage, where it will be safely accommodated, and carefully preserved.

Pictures of Miss Nightingale going her rounds in this carriage appear in a few illustrated papers in reference to her work during the Crimean War.

Miss Elizabeth Haldane, C.H., has added a delightful volume, "Mrs. Gaskell and Her Friends," to books dealing with the Victorian novelist, authoress of the immortal "Cranford," "Mary Barton," and "Ruth."

It seems incredible in these days that "Ruth," although in it Mrs. Gaskell treats the theme of "a fallen woman" should have been condemned as dangerously advanced! We are told that this work was warmly commended by Florence Nightingale, and Miss Haldane, who has had access to hitherto unpublished letters, quotes letters written by Mrs. Gaskell to Mrs. Shaen from Lea Hurst,



THE CARRIAGE USED BY MISS FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, O.M., IN THE CRIMEA.
Welcomed at St. Thomas's Hospital by "Nightingales."

Correspondence, Interviews and Permits.

The General Purposes Committee reported that the correspondence dealt with in the office between October 1st and 31st amounted to 11,038 letters received, 20,816 letters despatched. The interviews numbered 215, and 97 permits were issued for the State Uniform.

The State Uniform.

The Uniform Committee reported that applications had been received from four Registered Nurses for duplicate permits to obtain the State Registered Uniform, the loss of the permits having been reported six months ago.

Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for December 19th, and the meeting then terminated.

in 1854 which expresses the admiration she left for Florence Nightingale. To quote:

"Mrs. Nightingale says she was a 'dreamy' child. Did I tell you of her 18 dolls, all in rows in bed, when she was quite a little thing? . . . I used to ask Parthe N. (Parthenope Nightingale, afterwards Lady Verney) a great deal about F. N. Parthe is plain, clever, and apparently nothing out of the common way as to character; but she is for all that. She is devoted—her sense of existence is lost in Florence's. I never saw such adoring love. To set F. at liberty to do her great work, Parthe had annihilated herself, her own tastes, her own wishes, in order to take up all the little duties of home, to parents, to poor, to society, to servants, all the small things that fritter away time and life, all these Parthe does, for fear if anything was neglected people might blame F. as well as from feeling these duties imperative as if they were grand things. Well! but to return, I was asking Parthe about F., and I never saw

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