

Miss Haldane therefore formally put to the vote the election of Miss Musson as Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year and declared her duly elected.

She thought it must be satisfactory to Miss Musson that all were agreed, and on behalf of the Council wished her a useful and pleasant term of office.

Miss Musson then resumed the chair, and thanked the Council for their renewed interest. She sometimes thought it would be advisable for a younger member of the Council to be appointed Chairman, but she would do her best to serve it during the ensuing year.

#### Election of Vice-Chairman.

The Registrar reported that 17 nominations had been received for Miss Cox-Davies for the position of Vice-Chairman. No other nominations had been received and Miss Musson formally put to the vote the election of Miss Cox-Davies as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year and declared her duly elected.

Miss Cox-Davies briefly returned thanks for her re-election.

#### Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the bills and claims submitted for payment were approved, and the sum of £100 for stamps and £10 for insurance stamps allowed.

The Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Finance Committee were authorised to invest the sum of £7,500 after consultation with the Council's bankers. Estimates for 10,000 flex folders, at 2s. per hundred, and 20,000 Manila bag-shaped envelopes, at 27s. 6d. per 1,000, were accepted.

#### Registration.

On the recommendation of the Registration Committee, it was agreed to accept for registration by reciprocity:—

(1) Nurses trained for a period of not less than three years in a \*General Hospital in the Presidency of Madras and registered by Examination on Part I. of the Register of Nurses of the Nurses' and Midwives' Council of Madras, under Section 5 (1) of the Madras Nurses' and Midwives' Act, 1926, as defined in By-law 2 (i.).

(2) Nurses trained in England and Wales in a \*General Hospital approved by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, and registered on the Register of Nurses of the Nurses' and Midwives' Council of Madras.

\*Note.—A General Hospital is defined as one which admits men, women and children, and gives instruction in the four main services—Medical, Surgical, Gynaecological and Children's Diseases. Such general training may be given in one General Hospital recognised as a complete training school, or in recognised affiliated or associated hospitals which together give instruction in the above-named services.

It was agreed that Silver Badges (marked "Duplicate") be issued to three Registered Nurses on payment by them of the price of the badge and the additional expense of engraving the word "Duplicate."

Three applications for admission to the General Part of the Register, by reciprocity, and six for admission to the Supplementary Part of the Register by examination, were approved.

It was agreed to re-include in the Register the names of twenty-five nurses who had hitherto failed to pay their Retention Fee and now desired that they should be re-included.

The Council also directed that the names of 1,841 nurses who had not paid their Retention Fees for 1930 should be removed from the Register.

The Registration Committee reported that the number of nurses registered during 1929 was as follows:—

NURSES REGISTERED DURING 1929.			
	By Examination.		By Reciprocity.
General Part of the Register ..	3,608		54
Supplementary Part of the Register for—			
Male Nurses .. ..	6		—
Mental Nurses .. ..	61		3
Nurses for Mental Defectives ..	1		—
Sick Children's Nurses ..	182		5
Fever Nurses .. ..	440		3
			65
Total .. ..	4,298		65
		4,363	
TOTAL NUMBER OF NURSES REGISTERED FROM SEPTEMBER, 1921, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1929.			
			Including by Examination.
General Part of the Register ..	55,065		13,597
Supplementary Part of the Register for—			
Male Nurses .. ..	256		22
Mental Nurses .. ..	7,247		254
Nurses for Mental Defectives ..	378		2
Sick Children's Nurses ..	1,671		625
Fever Nurses .. ..	3,916		1,679
			16,179
	68,533		16,179

#### Education and Examination.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee, St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, Whitworth Park, Manchester, was approved as a Training School in conjunction with the Salford Royal Hospital.

The Committee reported that the following entries were received for the State Examination during 1929:—

Preliminary Examination ..		7,109
Final Examination—		
General Part of the Register ..	5,104	
Supplementary Part of the Register for—		
Male Nurses .. ..	6	
Mental Nurses .. ..	86	
Nurses for Mental Defectives ..	1	
Sick Children's Nurses ..	280	
Fever Nurses .. ..	655	
		6,132
Total .. ..		13,241

#### Disciplinary and Penal Cases.

The Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee reported that they had considered the cases of three Registered Nurses reported by the Police Authorities, and presented a confidential report which was subsequently taken *in camera*.

#### Mental Nursing.

Dr. Worth, Chairman of the Mental Nursing Committee reported that an interview had taken place, as arranged, between the Mental Nursing Committee and representatives of the Mental Hospitals Association on January 21st. A report of the proceedings would be presented to the next meeting of the Council.

#### Correspondence, Interviews and Permits.

The General Purposes Committee reported.—(a) That the correspondence dealt with in the office between December 2nd and 31st, 1929, amounted to: Letters received, 6,000; Letters despatched, 6,282. (b) That the interviews

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