

Mlle. Jeanne Mance, Canada, 17th Century.
 Friederike Fliedner, 19th Century.
 Elizabeth Fry, 19th Century.
 Florence Nightingale Banner.
 Legal Status. Presenting The State Register of Nurses.
 "Mightier than the Sword." Miss M. Breay.
 Professional Nursing Journals.

That the British College of Nurses be represented by a Fellow wearing the College Robes.

It was suggested that the Dinner be held at the Café Monaco.

After some discussion concerning the cost, it was agreed that as a History of Nursing Dinner would be educational, a Fund be inaugurated to help to defray the expenses of the costumes, etc.

It was agreed that those invited to impersonate characters should be personally suitable, and therefore others than Nurses might be invited to take part in the Procession of Nursing Pioneers.

In discussion it was agreed that an explanatory Programme be compiled, incorporating the Characters in the Processions, and that the after-dinner speeches should deal briefly with the outstanding events in Nursing History.

The Report was agreed.

THE HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

Miss A. M. Bushby, Chairman of the Committee, reported that since the last meeting she had received from Miss Bright, and through her influence, two prints of Miss Nightingale, also a drawing of a Nurse, a jug dated 1855, made for the Royal Patriotic Fund during the Crimean War, with transfer pictures of the wounded on the field of battle, and on the reverse a weeping widow and her children, and a pottery Diamond Jubilee Jug—with embossed head of Queen Victoria—and rose, thistle and shamrock. The sum required for the 25 original sketches in colour of scenes in the Crimean War had been contributed by Miss G. A. Allen, Miss Black, a friend of Miss Black, and Miss Bushby, which she thought all would agree would be most interesting when seen in the future.

Miss Bushby was thanked for her work on behalf of the Section and was asked to convey to Miss Bright the thanks of the Council for her generosity. The Report was adopted.

MISS GRAHAM'S REPORT.

Miss Graham presented and read the following Annual Report of the Tutorial Group as follows:—

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TUTORIAL GROUP.

APRIL, 1931.

The First Meeting of the Tutorial Group was held at the British College of Nurses, April 1930, when Miss D. K. Graham, S.R.N., F.B.C.N., was elected President, and Miss H. G. Ballard, D.N., S.R.N., M.B.C.N., Hon. Secretary.

Meetings have been held regularly each month, and have been attended by the same enthusiastic Tutors.

Interesting Papers have been read by different members of the Group, including the following Nursing Subjects:

Bed-making.	Faucial Diphtheria.
Saline Infusions.	Gynæcological Nursing.
Lavage.	Wounds and their Treatment.
Local Treatment of Gas-tritis.	Burns and their Treatment.
Laryngeal Diphtheria.	

Each of these papers being printed in THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, by kind permission of the Editor, and so giving those far away an opportunity of knowing a little of the work in London.

Social functions given during the year by the President and Members of the Council have been much appreciated by the Tutors able to be present.

We offer our congratulations to Miss E. M. F. Pritchard taking up her pioneer work in South Africa; Miss C. Harrison on her appointment as Matron of Bury Infirmary; Miss C. Middleton on her appointment as Matron of Medway Hospital, Chatham, and Miss Poskitt appointed Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor at Rush Green Hospital.

Miss E. S. Laing obtained through the British College of Nurses the certificate of the Tropical Diseases Hospital, and gained distinction.

Misses Russell and Weaver have gained their Sister Tutor's Certificate, and Misses Weaver, Russell, Poskitt and Ballard gained the Certificate of the British College of Nurses in Advanced Psychology, Miss Weaver gaining the Prize also, and we must congratulate our Group on its busy women.

We regret Miss Davy is still ill and unable to attend our Group, but trust she will soon recover.

We convey our grateful thanks to the President and Council for allowing us the use of the Classroom each month, and always making it convenient for us to hold our meeting.

This has been a very successful year, and we hope for an even better one this next year.

Through the initiative of the Tutorial Group the League of Sister Tutors has been formed which has a membership of upwards of 60 Sister Tutors and which has applied for affiliation to the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain.

HENRIETTA G. BALLARD,

Hon. Secretary.

The President congratulated the Tutorial Group on their active interest in the work of the teaching of nurses and upon the excellent Papers presented and printed in THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING. She felt sure the League of Sister Tutors would be a great acquisition to the National Council of Nurses, when federated with it.

The Report was adopted.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary reported business activities in the College and expenditure since the last meeting. Twelve students had filled the vacancies for the administrative classes which would be conducted by Miss Graham to visit the Kent County Mental Hospital, April 24th, University College Hospital, London, May 9th; Hospital for Sick Children, Gt. Ormond Street, London, May 22nd, and Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, June 6th, cost for which would be £16 10s., the hospitals generously receiving the students without charge. The monthly expenditure was reported. There was £4 in hand for the History of Nursing Section.

The Report was received.

THE MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED TO THE "LANCET" COMMISSION BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The Memorandum submitted to the Lancet Commission was considered clause by clause—and with many the Council agreed—exception was taken to the proposal to substitute outside examinations and certificates for those of the General Nursing Council as it was agreed that no other teaching and experience could take the place of the first year's practical experience in the wards, which was absolutely necessary when dealing with the sick.

It was agreed to communicate expert nursing opinion on various suggestions to which the Council took exception to the Executive Committee of the National Council of Women, as the Federated Nurses Organisations had not been consulted in drafting the Memorandum concerning their professional affairs.

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