

"That the following Hospital be provisionally approved as a complete training school for Fever Nurses for a period of one year from April 24th, 1931:—

Florence Nightingale Hospital, Bury, Lancs."

"That the following hospital, the provisional approval of which expires on May 23rd, 1931, be now approved as a complete training school for Fever Nurses:—

Whelley Sanatorium, Wigan and Tuberculosis Hospital, Pemberton."

"That the following hospital, the provisional approval of which expires on May 23rd, 1931, be now approved as a complete training school:—

St. Andrew's Hospital, Dollis Hill, London, N.W.2."

"That the following hospital be provisionally approved as a complete training school for a period of one year from April 24th, 1931:—

Swindon and North Wilts Victoria Hospital." (It is at present approved in connection with the Royal United Hospital, Bath.)

The applications were approved.

Disciplinary and Penal Cases.

The Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee reported that they had considered two cases:—

1. The case of a Registered Nurse (No. 26,554) reported by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis.

2. The case of a Registered Nurse (No. 50,265) reported by the Police Authorities.

Correspondence, Interviews and Permits.

The General Purposes Committee reported that the correspondence dealt with in the office between March 2nd and 31st amounted to 6,332 letters received, 11,820 letters despatched.

That the interviews numbered 167, and that 134 permits were issued for the State Uniform.

In addition to the Recommendations on the Agenda to which the Finance Committee raised no objection, the General Purposes Committee also asked, as mentioned with approval by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, for a grant of £126 11s. Miss Sparshott, Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, stated that at the top of the house the crack was so bad that the main part was entirely separated from that adjoining it.

The State Uniform.

It was agreed to issue duplicate permits to six nurses the loss of whose permits was reported six months ago.

Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for May 29th, and the Council then went into *camera* on the Disciplinary Cases.

The following resolution was subsequently sent to the Press:—

DISCIPLINARY CASE.

RESOLUTION PASSED AT MEETING ON 24TH APRIL, 1931.

"That Miss Clara Emma Stokes, S.R.N. 26554 having on March 13th, 1931, at Marylebone Police Court been charged with being drunk and disorderly, and fined £1 5s. 6d. or in default thirteen days' imprisonment, which term of imprisonment has been served, her name be removed from the Register in accordance with Rule 17 (4)* and that notification of such removal be sent to the Press, and that she be required to surrender her Certificate of Registration to the Council."

* In any case in which it is proved to the Council by the certificate of the competent officer of the Court in which the proceedings took place that the Respondent has been convicted of a felony or of any misdemeanour, and has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment, the Council may forthwith remove the nurse from the Register.

THE REGISTER OF NURSES.

We have received from the Chairman of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales a copy of the Register of Nurses for 1931 published under its authority.

The Register appears for the first time in two volumes, the first containing the names, qualifications and addresses of the nurses registered in the General Part of the Register, and the second the names, qualifications and addresses of the nurses registered in the Supplementary Parts.

This is a distinct improvement on the single volume, which was becoming unwieldy to handle, though it must be owned that Volume II is but slim. We notice that while on the cover it is correctly stated that this volume contains the names of nurses registered in the Supplementary Parts of the Register, on the title-page it is designated the Supplementary Part, presumably a slip which will be corrected in the next edition.

The paper on which the Register is printed appears to become thinner year by year. This may be purposely arranged in order to reduce its bulk, but it is regrettable, and we own we should like to see it printed on India paper. Anyway, it is a fine record, and worth the work of a lifetime to have seen it materialise.

A NURSE IN NORTHERN LABRADOR.

The Eskimos who dwell upon the northernmost portion of the coastline of the Labrador Peninsula have been ministered to by the missionaries of the Moravian Church for more than a hundred and fifty years past. Under the joint auspices of the Moravian Missions and the Hudson's Bay Company, a Nursing Post or Cottage Hospital was opened in the autumn of 1929 at Nain, the chief settlement on the coast; and it is from a letter from Miss G. D. Somers, S.R.N., the Nurse-in-Charge (selected by the Overseas Nursing Association), that the following incidents of her daily life and work are taken:—

January was a busy month, for an out-patient case of maternity was admitted with temperature 103, and her husband lay in the hut with a septic throat and running ear. An old blind woman and her husband were the only other occupants of the hut, which was overpoweringly hot. The patient did not want to be nursed by Europeans, but was thankful for the attention she received after her admission to Hospital.

The baby, a tiny 4½ lb. eight-months' child, was fretful and peevish, and although I strongly advocate breast feeding, in this case I started artificial feeding. The father was in a very unhealthy state and the mother had attacks of hæmoptysis during pregnancy. After two weeks the baby became a bonny wee mite, quite contented, and a pound heavier than at birth, so I was quite sorry to send her home with her mother, who had made a good recovery.

The Missionary came for me to see another patient at 9 a.m. She was in labour and in an eclamptic condition. The native woman had been with her all night, and the hut was crowded. I sent most of them away, while I examined, and questioned the relatives, who did not wish her taken to Hospital. Having told them that it was impossible to nurse her at home, the husband finally consented to her removal. I arranged for her to be brought in on a sledge by two or three men. She was in a convulsion on admission, but I surrounded her with hot bottles and blankets, and allowed the native woman to sit beside her, peeping behind the screens at intervals whilst continuing the work of the ward. She was very hysterical between fits and I gave whiffs of chloroform to quieten her. Finally a wee baby arrived (4½ lb.). The baby was miserable, fretful and wrinkled, and would not

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