

Miss Breay explained that the actual balance to the credit of the National Council on September 30th was £5 18s. 3d., and £13 11s. 2d. represented fees which would become due to the Treasurer of the International Council of Nurses on January 1st, 1932. She also reported that since the accounts had been audited she had received £229 from the College of Nursing as its *per capita* fees—July to December—for the International Council of Nurses.

It was moved by Miss Cox Davies and seconded by Miss E. S. Innes, and agreed, that the Report be received.

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The immediate question was how could the Council be provided with an adequate income for its important national work, including the exercise of national hospitality? It would be well to instruct the Finance Committee to explore

invited to contribute donations from £1 to £5 before May 1st, 1932."

The President invited discussion, and Miss Finch said that as Treasurer of the Hospital Matrons' Association she was prepared to respond on its behalf to the extent of £2 10s.

In thanking Miss Finch the President said she did not think it was anticipated that guarantees would be given in the room, but that the position might be put before the Delegates so that they might report the Resolution to their various Associations in the hope that each would send what it felt it could afford.

She reminded the Council that next year would be the year before the quadrennial meeting of the International Council of Nurses in Paris and Brussels and would entail considerable preparation on the part of the National Council and extra expenditure.

Miss Lloyd-Still then proposed that those present should take back the Resolution to their respective Associations and seek their help, she was certain that it would be sympathetically received. This was seconded by Miss

Darbyshire and carried unanimously.

Election of Hon. Officers.

The next business was the election of Hon. Officers, one Vice-President and two Directors

Miss D. K. Graham, Miss Le Geyt and Miss Kathleen Smith were appointed scrutineers.

There were two nominations for the office of Vice-President.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

MISS M. S. COCHRANE, R.R.C., Director of the National Council of Nurses, President of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain, nominated by the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses, the Registered Nurses' Association, the Prince of Wales' General Hospital, Tottenham, Nurses' League, the British College of Nurses, the Infectious Hospitals Matrons' Association, the League of Private Nurses,

and the League of Sister Tutors.

MISS DORA FINCH, R.R.C., Ex-Matron, University College Hospital. Nominated by the College of Nursing, the Association of Hospital Matrons, the League of Royal Waterloo Hospital Nurses, and the Nightingale Fellowship.

Miss Cochrane was elected Vice-President.

The President said that Miss Cochrane had served them faithfully for three years as a Director, and she was sure the Council would wish her to convey its congratulations to Miss Cochrane on her election to the office of Vice-President.

Miss Cochrane briefly expressed her thanks to the Council for the honour which it had conferred upon her. She hoped its confidence would not be misplaced. She would endeavour to see that it was not.

DIRECTORS.

There were six nominations for the office of Director.

MISS E. T. BICKERTON, R.R.C., President, Prince of Wales' General Hospital, Tottenham, Nurses' League, nominated by the Registered Nurses' Association, Prince



MISS RUTH E. DARBYSHIRE, R.R.C., S.R.N.,
President, University College Hospital Nurses' League.
Elected a Director of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain.

the various possibilities, but for the moment some temporary arrangement was urgent.

Miss Cox Davies wished to offer the thanks of the Council for all the voluntary work done on its behalf and the office room, and room for its meetings provided by the President free of cost in the offices of the Registered Nurses' Association and a great saving of expense. The proposition was received with acclamation.

Miss Musson said that on looking through the Balance Sheet it was evident that no item could be cut down. It was absurd for so much to be done for so little.

The Hon. Treasurer's Report and the Audited Accounts were then adopted.

Recommendation from the Finance Committee.

The following recommendation of the Finance Committee was then considered:—

"That to meet the estimated financial liabilities of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, for the period ending September 30th, 1932, the Affiliated Associations be

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