

compelled to receive the aid of such Nurses as were sent to them. We often require a Nurse in a great hurry; we could not have time always to make the inquiries that were desirable; we should be glad to lay our hands on the Register of the Royal British Nurses' Association and to feel sure we had selected a well-trained and honest Nurse. He well remembered a Nurse who had been in prison had the effrontery to call on him and ask him to recommend her. He supported this Resolution, also, because it kept the control of Nurses in professional hands, and he was glad to know that he could now obtain a competent Nurse. It was impossible to satisfactorily treat one's patients unless aided by an efficient Nurse. He knew in days gone by his patients had suffered from bad Nurses, and in one case a thick, heavy, almost cold poultice was applied to the abdomen in a case of acute peritonitis, whereby the pain of the little sufferer was increased instead of relieved. They asked for this measure, and he hoped, in the interests of the sick public and of the profession, the Charter would be granted. The Register, at first, might not be all we wished; but neither was the *Dentists' Register*. It would be the duty of the profession and of the General Practitioners' Alliance to uproot any evil, and see that the outcome of

this measure was, as he felt sure it would be, for the public good, and he had the greatest pleasure in seconding the Resolution.

Before putting the Resolution, Mr. Brown said that he had invited Dr. Bedford Fenwick, one of the officials of the Royal British Nurses' Association, to be present, who would be pleased to answer any questions, or give any further explanation in regard to the objects of the Association.

Dr. Corbyn said he would like to hear some particulars from Dr. Fenwick as to how Nurses could be removed from the Register. He thought it would be very desirable that Nurses should be more under the control of medical men than they were at the present time. It was by no means uncommon for Nurses to neglect the instructions of the medical attendant, and sometimes they carried out their own methods of treatment, and boasted afterwards that if they had not done so-and-so, or had done that which the Doctor had ordered, the patient would not have recovered so rapidly.

Dr. Mead, while agreeing with the Registration of Nurses, said he would suggest the desirability of publishing a list of Nurses who had been removed from the Register for theft, incompetence, or disgraceful conduct. He thought it just as

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