# GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

The one hundred and thirty-second meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the Offices of the Council, 20, Portland Place, on February 26th, at 2.30 p.m. The Chairman, Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., presided.

#### Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, Bills and claims submitted for payment were approved. £6,500 for Examiners' Claims and Expenses in connection with the February Examinations were allowed.

The Committee reported that it raised no objection to Recommendations 10 and 11 of the General Purposes Committee. These were: (1) "That the sanction of the Minister of Health for the appointment of an additional Principal Clerk in the Examinations Department at the commencing salary of £220, be obtained"; and (2) "That a reconstructed typewriter be purchased for the Uniform Department for the sum of £17 plus the existing machine in part exchange." Both Recommendations were agreed.

Registration.

The Registration Committee reported that they had considered the question of discontinuing the charge of 2s. 6d. at present made for the Certificate of Registration issued to nurses registered by reciprocity.

They recommended, and it was moved by the Chairman,

in accordance with notice, and agreed—
"That Recommendation IV. (Finance Committee),
paragraph 236, of the Minutes of Council of March 17th,
1922, as follows, 'That to meet the cost of sending out
the Registration Certificates, a charge of 2s. 6d. for each Certificate be made after April 1st, 1922,' be rescinded, and the following recommendation substituted, 'That in future the charge of 2s. 6d. at present being made in respect of Certificates issued to nurses who are registered by reciprocity be abolished.'

## Education and Examination.

The Education and Examination Committee reported

that they had considered an application from the authorities of the City Hospital, Nottingham, for approval of that Hospital as a complete training School for Male Nurses, and recommended that it be approved.

Mr. Stratton moved as an Amendment, "that this Recommendation be referred back to the Education and Examination Committee for further consideration.'

He said that on a report made by Miss Sparshott, who paid a visit of inspection, they were asked to approve a school where the proportion of staff proposed was one male nurse to twenty-six probationers.

The Amendment was seconded by Mr. Blackman.

The Council then went into Committee, and a discussion ensued in the course of which Dr. Collins supported Mr. Stratton, saying that there was a need for trained male nurses, and they should be properly trained.

Miss Villiers pointed out that the one trained male nurse must be off duty sometimes, and there was the question of night nursing. It was stated that the ward was under

the supervision of a Sister.

On the Amendment being put to the vote, nine voted for it and ten against it, and an individual count showed the same result.

Miss Sparshott then moved the original Recommendation, on which the voting was eleven for the Recommendation and ten against.

## Disciplinary and Penal Cases.

The Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee reported that they had considered the case of a Registered Nurse (No. 23386), reported by the Commissioner of Police.

### Chairmen of Standing Committees.

The Chairmen of the following Committees were re-ected: Finance—Dr. Fawcett. Registration—Miss Registration—Miss elected: Margaret Hogg, C.B.E. Education and Examination— Miss A. Lloyd Still, C.B.E., R.R.C. Disciplinary and Penal Cases—Miss A. M. Bushby. General Purposes—Miss M. E. Sparshott, C.B.E., R.R.C. Uniform—Miss S. A. Villiers. Miss G. A. Cowlin was elected Chairman of the Mental Nursing Committee.

# MEMBERS' ATTENDANCES AT MEETINGS OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES, 1931.

		COMMITTEES.									No. of Meetings.	
	Council.	Finance.	Regis- tration.	Education and Ex- amination	Examina- tions Sub- Committee	Discipli- nary and Penal Cases	Mental Nursing.	General Purposes.	General Purposes Sub. Cttee.	Uniform.	Called.	Attended.
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Miss Musson (Chairman) Miss Cox-Davies (Vice-Chairman) Miss Alsop Mr. Blackman Miss Bremner Miss Brown **Dr. Buchan Miss Brown **Sprems Miss Cowlin Dr. Fawcett Lady Galway Miss Gullan Miss Haldane Mr. Harper Miss Hogg Colonel Lord Miss Hogg Tolonel Lord Miss Meadows Dr. Murrell **Dr. Porter Miss Lloyd Still Mr. Stratton Dr. Thomson Miss Villiers Miss Wilson	12 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 11 11 12 12 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	9 9 9 1 9 5 9 9 8 	11 11 10 3 12 10 11 11 8 5 10	9 10 9 8 9 7 9 7 9 10 5 7 6 9 8	3 4 	8 89     618     8	5 4 5 5 5 1 4 5 1 1 3 3 3 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1	8 10 10 	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	10 9 3 10  8      	83 83 37 34 45 5 51 44 30 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22	75 78 58 35 11 43 4 47 35 28 11 12 15 39 5 21 12 7 53 18 6 14 46 17

<sup>\*</sup> Dr. Buchan resigned March 27th. † Colonel Lord died August, 1931. ‡ Dr. Porter appointed May 29th, in place of Dr. Buchan.

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