

Patriotic Fund in commemoration of the Crimean War. They were published by S. Alcock & Co., Hill Pottery, Burslem, dated January 1st, 1855, and show the wounded on the battlefield on one side, and the weeping widow and fatherless children on the other. These jugs are very beautiful works of art and are now very rare.

Miss Lloyd Still, in expressing thanks to the President for the beautiful jug, said it would be received with great pleasure and treasured by the Nightingale Fellowship.

Miss Musson proposed a vote of thanks to the Chair for her many years' services to the Nursing Profession, seconded by Miss Lloyd Still—which was warmly accorded. The President returned thanks.

The meeting then terminated.

THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

We have devoted so much space in this issue to reporting the proceedings of the General Nursing Council in relation to the Discussion on the Preliminary Examination at its meeting on November 24th, that we can only refer very briefly to the other business.

Letters were reported by the Chairman (1) from the Ministry of Health conveying the Minister's approval of the appointment of Miss Gwladys Evelyn Davies as Registrar to the Council at a salary of £600 per annum, rising by annual increments of £25 per annum to a maximum of £700.

(2) From Mr. Hewitt Pitt, Solicitor, reporting that there was no possibility of his father (the Council's solicitor at present) ever being well enough to return to work again, and wondering whether under these circumstances the Council would consider appointing him their Solicitor in his place.

Mr. Hewitt Pitt stated that he had in fact done the work of the Council either wholly or in conjunction with his father for the last ten years, and had attended all the Council meetings at which the presence of the Solicitor was necessary for the past five years, except for the six months when he was away from the office. After a brief discussion Mr. Hewitt Pitt was appointed Solicitor to the Council.

On the motion of Miss Darbyshire it was resolved:

"That the voting in January, 1934, and in subsequent years, for Chairman and Vice-Chairman and Members of Committee, shall be by ballot as hitherto, but that voting papers shall be collected and votes counted by two appointed members of the official staff of the Council nominated for the purpose, and that the total votes only be announced from the Chair."

The results of the October Examination were presented as follows:—

Preliminary State Examination.—Entered, 3,695; Absent, 146; Passed, 2,456; Failed, 1,093.

Final State Examination.—Entered, 2,914; Absent, 81; Passed, 2,018; Failed, 815.

THE TUBERCULOSIS NURSE.

We learn that yet another attack is to be made on the status of nursing, and that it is probable that the General Nursing Council for England and Wales may be invited by "The Joint Tuberculosis Council" to register another class of specialists, the Tuberculosis Nurse. Surely it is time that such ill-advised proposals ceased. The only result will be to add to the great army of semi-trained nurses.

I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to the light I have. I must stand by anybody that stands right.

Abraham Lincoln.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., Chairman of the General Nursing Council for Scotland occupied the Chair, and 14 Members of the Council were present at the meeting held at 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on November 24th.

There were submitted copies of the Resolutions passed by the International Council of Nurses at their Congress in July, 1933, and forwarded by that body for information.

The Report of the Education and Examination Committee was submitted by Col. Mackintosh, C.B., M.V.O., the Convener of that Committee and was approved.

The Council considered the difference between their Rule and that of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales in regard to admission to the examinations for a second part of the Register in one country where training for the first part of the Register had been taken in the other country. The Council decided to adhere meantime to their own Rule in respect that there seemed to them to be no necessity for insisting that a Nurse already on the first part of the Register in one country should re-register in the other country before commencing her second training there.

It was further agreed that the Registrar should communicate with the General Nursing Council for England and Wales on the subject of their Rule.

A number of Examiners were appointed.

The Registrar brought to the notice of the Council a number of cases where the name of a Nurse as given on her application form and the Certificates of Instruction did not agree with the name as appearing on the Birth Certificate produced by the Nurse. The Registrar was instructed that in all cases Nurses should be registered only in their own proper name as shown on the Birth Certificate except that in cases of adoption or other similar genuine changes of surname, the Registrar should report the matter to the Council with a view to obtaining special authority to register the Nurse in the name by which she is commonly known.

It was also resolved that a circular be sent to Hospitals pointing out that it was essential that the Certificate of Instruction granted by them in regard to any Nurse should contain her proper name as given on the Birth Certificate.

It was reported that no further communication had yet been received from the General Nursing Council for England and Wales on the subject of the proposed splitting of the Preliminary Examination and consideration of the matter was deferred till next meeting.

CHRISTMAS COMFORTS FOR PENSIONER PATIENTS.

The Order of St. John and the British Red Cross Society have arranged, through the Ministry of Pensions, as in previous years, to provide additional comforts, such as Cigarettes, Tobacco, etc., for the men actually in Ministry Hospitals on Christmas Day. There are, however, ex-Service Pensioners, who will be patients in other hospitals as a result of their War disabilities, and the Joint Council of the two bodies is endeavouring to get in touch with these hospitals, so that no eligible cases in hospital on Christmas Day may fail to receive the same gifts as those in Pensions Hospitals.

WORDS FOR ALL TIME.

The mystery, dimly understood,
That love of God is love of good,
And "to be saved" is only this,—
Salvation from our selfishness.

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