

Education and Examination Committee.

Reported that five Nurses who have passed the Council's Examination and had now attained the age of 21, had been registered since last Meeting.

Date of Next Meeting.

The next Meeting of Council was fixed for Friday, November 26th, 1937.

A Printed Register for Scotland.

It is with great pleasure we note that "The Register of Nurses," is to be published in Scotland; hitherto a typed list of successful candidates has been compiled, which, in our opinion, was not a practical nor dignified manner in which to record the attainments of Scottish Nurses, after their strenuous professional training and examination. Congratulations to all concerned.

Result of Final Examinations.

The results of the Final Examination in October of the General Nursing Council for Scotland are as follows:

Successful Candidates.

General Nurses, 267. Fever Nurses, 64. Sick Children's Nurses, 22. Mental Nurses, 19.

ECHOES OF THE CONGRESS.

We have no doubt that others like ourselves are receiving kind and instructive letters from other lands, as our recent Congress guests have evidently carried home happy memories of England, and not a few of Scotland, where many nurses enjoyed tours and the kindest of welcomes after the Congress was at an end.

"WE WERE THRILLED WITH IT ALL."

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, McKellar General Hospital,
Portland Place, London. Fort William, Ontario.

DEAR MRS. FENWICK,—I wish to thank you, personally, and all the British Nurses who made it possible for us to have such an enjoyable and profitable time at the International Congress. We spent our whole time in England and Scotland, and were thrilled with it all.

Yours very sincerely,

BARBARA BELL.

GREAT APPRECIATION AND SINCERE THANKS.

s.s. "City of London."

To the Secretary the Congress Arrangements Committee.

MADAM,—As one of the delegates from South Africa, I shall be glad if you will accept, and also convey to your committee, my great appreciation of, and very sincere thanks for the very great kindness and hospitality extended to me while in London for the Congress. I had a delightful time and feel that only a tremendous amount of work on the part of the various Committees could have dealt with such large numbers of people from all parts of the world in such a marvellous way.

I sailed on Saturday morning and was therefore not present for the "Farewells," and I hope, votes of thanks, and thus feel I must write and express my thanks.

Yours very Sincerely,

JEAN H. RENIE.

SOME CALL IT EVOLUTION.

A fire-mist and a planet,
A crystal and a cell,
A jelly-fish and a saurian,
And caves where the cave-men dwell;
Then a sense of law and beauty,
And a face turned from the clod—
Some call it Evolution,
And others call it God.

Dr. William Herbert Garrett.

MEMORIES OF THE "MAYFLOWER."

Plymouth, Massachusetts.

To MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK, October 12th, 1937
Founder of International Council of Nurses.

DEAR LADY,—This date is a national holiday, when Columbus discovered America—and is therefore called Columbus Day.

However, it is just ordinary for nurses. Our hospital, "The Jordan," has been presented with the "Brick" from the home of Florence Nightingale and due thanks already sent you by the Superintendent, Miss Ruth Gregson, R.N., but I wish to add my tribute to one who has done, and is doing, such a great work for the nursing profession.

One of our staff doctors said: "Florence Nightingale was one woman who out of her own mind and strength organised some great idea." This was said by Dr. Connie King. Another, Dr. Waterman, when he saw the "brick," said, "his soul was stirred with a feeling of devotion to the memory of the First Great Nurse." He was kind enough to thank me, as President of the Jordan Hospital Alumnae, for the present from the Council of the British College of Nurses.

Our *American Journal of Nursing* had a very good report of the Congress by the Editor, Miss Mary Roberts, also a picture of yourself, which for want of a better one I treasure. Miss Isabel Macdonald, the Secretary, gave me one of herself. I love to look at it, hanging on the wall of my sitting-room, and think of the many lovely things she did for us visiting nurses from across the Atlantic.

Then I also remember your gracious words to me at the afternoon reception at 194, Queen's Gate.

The Congress was quite the grandest experience in my whole life.

And so I'll close with love and admiration to yourself for founding such a wonderful institution as the International Council and Congress of Nurses, and hope we meet in New York City in 1941.

Sincerely yours,

ALICE E. MACDONALD, R.N.

Miss Alice MacDonald has sent us a delightful panoramic postcard of Plymouth, Massachusetts, the landing-place of the Pilgrims.

It would seem that a fine historical collection is to be found in Pilgrim Hall, an impressive stone building with Doric portico erected by the Pilgrim Society in 1824 as a monumental Hall to the memory of the Pilgrims who landed from the "Mayflower" in 1620, and which beautiful building is used as a museum of Pilgrim history and relics. Paintings and articles which they possessed are here sacredly cared for. Here is the patent of Plymouth Colony, the chairs of Elder Brewster and Governor Carver, the cradle of Peregrine White, a chest and sword of Miles Standish.

Occupying a monumental place is a beautiful model of the "Mayflower," Plymouth Harbour, and Massachusetts Bay, and the celebrated Plymouth Rock bordered with lawns and gardens, making exquisite surroundings.

Why were we so ignorant of American history that we failed to visit this birthplace of a Nation when on visits to U.S.A.? Nurses from overseas intending to be at the 1941 "International" should now begin to study American history. Anyway, many will love to pay a visit to Plymouth—and there they will find a "Nightingale Brick" in a place of honour awaiting their homage—a link of professional unity.

Miss Alice MacDonald's panoramic postcard has been placed in the historical collection of the British College of Nurses and will be greatly valued. A nice, intimate touch of the time when our peoples were one nation.

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