

ACCIDENT TO MISS ISABEL MACDONALD.

We much regret to report that Miss Isabel Macdonald, Secretary of the Royal British Nurses' Association, has met with a serious accident, owing to the recklessness of a taxi-cab driver, when she was dragged some distance and sustained injuries to a knee, a fractured bone and torn ligaments. Under skilled treatment Miss Macdonald is making a slow recovery, which it is hoped may be complete in time. Her many friends will be thankful that her injuries were not more serious, as they might have been fatal. The hourly dangers to life and limb from the terrible traffic in London and elsewhere, has now become a national scandal. Motor mania and commercial greed combine to terrorise the community. Who cares? We wonder!

TERRITORIAL ARMY NURSING SERVICE.

The Matron-in-Chief wishes all members of the T.A.N.S. a happy New Year and desires to remind those who have not yet sent their enrolment parchments to their Principal Matrons that these are now due.

A LOSS TO NURSING IN INDIA.

The resignation of the President, Miss M. E. Abram, was received with the deepest regret at the recent meeting of the Trained Nurses' Association of India. Not only has she done much to raise the standard and status of nurses in India, but she will be deeply missed in the Presidency General Hospital, Calcutta, and in Bengal where she has done much able work on the Nurses' Council.

Miss Dora Chadwick, S.R.N., S.C.M., was unanimously elected as Miss Abram's successor as President of the Trained Nurses' Association of India. Miss Chadwick was trained at the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, and the Brighton and Hove Hospital for Women. She was Sister Tutor at Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham, and holds the position of Matron Superintendent of the Government Hospital for Women and Children, Madras.

Miss Chadwick is well known in International circles, and we congratulate the nurses of India upon choosing as their President a woman of such outstanding ability as a teacher and force of character.

AFRICAN PRINCESS AS NURSE.

An African Princess is now a nurse at Guy's Hospital. She is Omo-Oba Adenrele Ademola, daughter of the Alake of Abeokuta, who is paramount chief of Northern Nigeria. The chief, who is interested in hospital services and hygiene, decided that his daughter should go through the whole of a nurse's training at a London Hospital. The Princess is 22, and for the past two years has been at school in Somerset.

LEGACIES FOR NURSES.

Miss Jane Cameron, late of Bournemouth, left £100 to Miss Ingram, Matron of the Firs Home for the Dying, Bournemouth, to which institution she also left £500.

THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the offices of the Council, 23, Portland Place, London, W., on December 17th. The Chairman, Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., presided.

Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, bills and claims submitted for payment were approved, and the sums of £100 for postage stamps, £25 for insurance stamps, £15 for petty cash and £130 for election expenses (salaries) were allowed.

It was agreed that the estimate of Messrs. Butler and Tanner, Ltd., of £2,154 10s. 6d., for 250 copies of the 1938 Register of Nurses be accepted.

It was agreed that the revenue accounts and balance sheets, as submitted by the Government auditors for the years ended March 31st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937, be adopted.

Registration.

Applications for approval of Registration on December 17th were: General Register, by reciprocity, 13; Supplementary part of the Register for Fever Nurses, by examination, 13; total, 26.

It was agreed that 37 Nurses, who had hitherto failed to pay their retention fee, and now wished their names re-included in the Register, should be re-included.

Education and Examination.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee, it was agreed that:

The Tolworth Isolation Hospital be now approved as a complete Training School for Fever Nurses;

The schemes of affiliation between the Sevenoaks and Holmesdale Hospital and the Connaught Hospital, London, and the West Kent General Hospital, Maidstone, be now fully approved;

The provisional approval of the following schemes of affiliation be extended for a further year;

Samaritan Free Hospital for Women, London, in affiliation with St. Mary's Hospital, London, and Guy's Hospital, London;

Jericho Hospital, Bury, in affiliation with Park Hospital, Flixton;

Orthopaedic Hospital, Hartshill, Stoke-on-Trent, in affiliation with London Road Hospital, Newcastle, Staffs.

It was reported that the conference with the General Nursing Council for Scotland, the Joint Nursing and Midwives Council for Northern Ireland, and the General Nursing Council for the Irish Free State was held on October 11th, 1937.

Mental Nursing.

On the recommendation of the Mental Nursing Committee, it was agreed that the Romford Hospital, near Wickford, and the Wilts County Mental Hospital, Devizes, be provisionally approved for a period of one year as complete Training Schools for Male and Female Mental Nurses; that Cranage Hall, Holmes Chapel, Cheshire, be provisionally approved for a period of one year as a complete Training for Male and Female Nurses for Mental Defectives; and that St. Ebba's Hospital, Epsom, be now fully approved as a complete Training School for Male and Female Mental Nurses.

Disciplinary Cases.

Nurses Removed from the Register.

KATHLEEN FRANCES CLEAVER.

Mr. Hewitt Pitt, Solicitor to the Council, placed the following case before the Council:

Miss Kathleen Frances Cleaver, S.R.N. 81,509, was at

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