

**DATE OF CONFERENCE.**

As the Caxton Hall is usually so fully booked up, it has already been secured for Thursday, November 10th, in which to hold the National Council of Nurses' Conference.

**MISS A. M. FRASER.**

We have to thank Miss A. M. Fraser for permitting us to present her portrait in this Journal. Miss Fraser is the greatly esteemed Superintendent of the Glasgow District Nursing Association, affiliated with the Queen's Institute of District Nursing in Scotland.

Miss Fraser is the President of the Association of Scottish Queen's Superintendents, which has recently been affiliated with the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and has an *ex-officio* seat on its Executive Committee, which will benefit no doubt from her ripe experience in nursing affairs.

**THE MATRONS' COUNCIL OF GREAT BRITAIN.**

A meeting of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain was held on July 5th, at the invitation of Lady Hermione Blackwood, at Beechey Cottage, Hampstead. Miss Cochrane (President) was in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and discussed, also matters arising. A discussion took place on the question of the splitting of the Preliminary Examination, and many spoke on the subject. It was finally decided that the unanimous opinion should be embodied in a resolution and forwarded to the General Nursing Council. Among other subjects which arose and were debated was whether the Test Examination was a deterrent or an incentive to increased entries into the Nursing Profession, also the recommendation of the L.C.C. A very interesting afternoon was spent, which ended with a delightful tea with the pleasant outlook on to the lovely garden.

**RESOLUTION:**

**Strong Disapproval of Split Preliminary Examination.**

"That the Matrons' Council of Great Britain desires to place on record its strong disapproval of the action taken at a meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales by which a resolution was passed to split the Preliminary Examination of Nurses."

**THE LEAGUE OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL NURSES.**

On Saturday, July 2nd, the League of St Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses, held its Summer General Meeting, in the Nurses' Lecture Hall of the Hospital. It was very well attended. With the exception of giving out about the retiring of the Vice-President (Miss Campbell), whose term of Office was at an end, and the Election of Miss M. S. Riddell, R.R.C., to fill the vacancy, and also the result of the ballot for the four new Members elected on the Executive Committee, there was very little business done, beyond the ordinary routine. All then adjourned to the Great Hall and partook of a most delicious tea, accompanied by delightful music and pleasant chats with old friends.

The American Sale (Bring and Buy) to augment the Isla Stewart Memorial Fund, was well patronised and by the appearance of the stalls at the end of the afternoon one would presume that the result was very good indeed, although the actual sum was not then known. Thus came to a close a very pleasant and enjoyable afternoon.

ELSIE F. ARMSTRONG.

**THE ASSOCIATION OF SICK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL NURSES.**

We are glad to note that matrons of Children's Hospitals have taken the initiative in forming an Association of Sick Children's Hospital Nurses—thus making it possible for Registered Sick Children's Nurses to form a group—as the nurses in the other Supplementary Parts of the Register have done—and thus qualify for inclusion if they wish by delegation on the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, so that their special qualifications may be represented by expert opinion.

The officers of the Association of Sick Children's Nurses are of opinion that it is not an unusual mistake, even in hospitals,

to believe that a nurse's general training qualifies her to nurse children as well as adults. Actually the nursing of children is a highly specialized branch of our profession and demands a special training."

It is the Association's aim to provide a rallying point for all those nurses who are "children's trained" to make the public aware of their capacity and necessity, and to enlist its support for the demand that the possession of a children's certificate should be an essential qualification for a position of responsibility in a children's hospital"

The President is Miss Agnes M. Coulton (Matron, Princess Elizabeth of York Hospital for Children, Shadwell, E.I.).



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