A letter was received from Miss J. Crombie, stating that her sister, Miss Jean Singer Crombie, passed away after much suffering on August 31st. Miss Crombie received her training at St. Thomas's Hospital. During her career she held the posts of Matron of a Military Hospital and latterly was Assistant Matron at Paddington Hospital, Harrow Road, W.9.

Miss Crombie had been a faithful and very loyal Member of the College since 1931.

REPORT OF THE HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

Miss A. M. Bushby, Chairman, read a letter from Mrs. Vaughan Nash, presenting to the College the original key of the Scutari Picture, also a quaint little booklet advertisement of the engraving.

Miss Bushby expressed her desire to purchase a number of letters written by Miss Florence Nightingale and Mrs. Braithwaite from the Crimea.

The President thanked Miss Bushby for her interesting Report.

THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

The Secretary reported on the various activities of the College during the past month. Since the last meeting of the Council, 1,307 communications had been received and 1,150 sent out. There had been 23 visitors to the College.

NOMINATION OF HON. OFFICERS FOR ELECTION TO

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The Council was reminded that to maintain the expert character of the National Council of Nurses it was necessary to have various sections represented.

After discussion it was agreed that nominees should represent District Nursing and Fever Nursing.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously to nominate the following candidates for election as President, Vice-President and two Directors to the National Council of Nurses:

President : Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, S.R.N., Founder of the National Council of Nurses, who had consented to stand for re-election.

Vice-President: Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., S.R.N., Chairman, General Nursing Council for England and Wales, and Treasurer, International Council of Nurses.

Directors : (a) Miss Elsie Ivett, S.R.N., District Superintendent, Queen's Institute of District Nursing.

(b) Miss H. McLoughlin, S.R.N., Matron, Infectious Diseases Hospital, Roman Road, E.6, President, Infectious Hospitals Matrons' Association (to replace Miss Campbell).

CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN,

It was agreed to present the following Resolution to the Executive Committee of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain:

Resolution : "That the Constitution of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain shall not be amended in sections, but if, and when necessary, a Special Sub-Committee shall be appointed to consider the Constitution as a whole, and make recommendations to the Executive Committee as may appear desirable.'

THE BRITISH NATIONALITY AND ALIENS BILL.

It was proposed by Miss A. M. Bushby that an expression of thanks be sent to Lord Alness for introducing into the House of Lords the Bill by which he proposed to restore to British women the right to retain their nationality on marriage to an alien.

This Resolution was warmly supported by several members of the Council and was passed unanimously.

LIST OF GIFTS.

Miss Breay.—Flowers. Miss Angel.—Flowers and Beech.

From the Editor of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING .-

"A General Course in Hygiene," by A. E. Ikin, LL.D., and G. E. Oates, M.D., M.R.C.P., Lond., D.P.H. "A Guide to Anatomy," by E. D. Ewart. "A Curriculum Guide for Schools of Nursing," prepared by the Committee on Curri-culum of the National League of Nursing Education. "The Right way with Children," by Enid Smith, M.B., B.S. "A Modern Marvel," by Col. Arthur Murray, C.M.G., D.S.O. "This is my Life," by Dame Agnes Hunt. "Stewardy-Mem," by Margaret Morrison, through the R.B.N.A.

THE COMING NURSING CONFERENCE.

All members present agreed to support the forthcoming Conference on Nursing to be held in London on November 10th.

The Council recommended that $\pounds 1$, as requested, should be donated to the Hon. Treasurer, towards the expenses of the Conference.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

It was agreed that the next Meeting of the Council be held on Saturday, October 22nd.

The Meeting then terminated.

Following the Meeting the Council had great pleasure in welcoming the following colleagues and visitors who joined them at Tea :-

Miss Trevelion from Australia, Mrs. Vanstone from Sweden, Miss E. C. Robb, Assistant Matron, and Miss M. C. Moyes, Sister at the Royal Alexandra Infirmary, Paisley, and Miss J. Dunbar, Matron, Alexandra Hospital, Coatbridge.

Since the meeting the following letters have been addressed to Her Royal Highness, the Princess Arthur of Connaught, and to the Right Honble. Lord Alness, P.C. :-

THE BRITISH COLLEGE OF NURSES, 39, Portland Place, W.1.

To

September 22nd, 1938.

Her Royal Highness The Princess Arthur of Connaught, 41, Belgrave Square, S.W.1.

Madam,

At the Meeting of the Council of the British College of Nurses held on Saturday, September 17th, my Council unanimously desired to convey to your Royal Highness their very sincere sympathy with you in the great sorrow and irreparable loss which you have sustained by the death of your husband His Royal Highness The Prince Arthur of Connaught, so greatly esteemed by members of the Nursing Profession who had the honour to be associated with his hospital work.

I have the honour to be, Madam, Your Royal Highness's obedient servant, ETHEL G. FENWICK,

President.

A letter dated September 28th has been received from Her Royal Highness conveying her thanks for kind letter of sympathy.

THE BRITISH COLLEGE OF NURSES.

39, Portland Place, W.1.

September 22nd, 1938.

To the Right Honble. Lord Alness, P.C. My LORD,-At their Meeting held on Saturday, September 17th, the President and Council of the British College of Nurses agreed unanimously that a warm vote of thanks be conveyed to your Lordship for the great service you have



