

any other Fellow or Member of the College who may ask for my help or advice; and finally, that I will constantly strive, both by my personal conduct and my professional work, to reflect credit on the Profession of Nursing, on The British College of Nurses, and on my fellow-members thereof. All these several promises I solemnly swear to observe, and I pray that I may ever be steadfast in fulfilling the whole of this Obligation of a Member of The British College of Nurses.

Duty the Only Champion.

No wonder nurses are asking for a "fair deal," and looking for "champions." But there is only one "champion" of any lasting value, and that is "Self-Determination."

We again urge Registered Nurses to save their legal status, educational standards, and economic security for themselves, and thus save the sick from exploitation and themselves from deprivation of their legal privileges. No champion but Duty is of any avail.

The British College of Nurses is composed of Registered Nurses, and stands firmly for ever progressing standards of nursing efficiency and just economic standards. It can have no sympathy with a policy of expediency which sacrifices the just rights of Registered Nurses and the safety of the sick.

THE ROYAL INFIRMARY OF EDINBURGH.

NURSES' PRIZE GIVING, MAY 21st, 1941.

The Nurses' Prize Giving at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh has a special flavour which was not lost this year, despite rain and war. For over 50 years, the Lord High Commissioner has visited the hospital at the time of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, and for long his visit has coincided with the prize giving. This year, as Sir Iain Colquhoun was unable to be present, Lady Colquhoun, attended by members of her suite, was received at the entrance by the Chairman of the Board of Managers, Mr. J. R. Little, the Superintendent, Lieutenant-Colonel A. D. Stewart, and Miss Smail, Lady Superintendent of Nurses. Having been introduced to other representatives of the Board and Staff, Her Grace spent some time in a surgical and a medical ward, talking to the patients. After seeing some of the mothers and babies in the Simpson Memorial Maternity Pavilion, the party proceeded to the lecture theatre where they were awaited by prize winners, sisters, nurses and other guests. In a few well chosen words Mr. Little introduced Her Grace, and one by one the successful nurses filed before her, courtesied, and returned to their seats clasping books of their own choice. The best nurse of her year, Miss Edith C. Thomas, not only received the "Affleck" Medal for Distinction in Nursing, but also a beautiful book prize specially given by Colonel Stewart. Following a witty vote of thanks by Sheriff Maconochie, and a few gracious words of appreciation from Lady Colquhoun, the whole party adjourned for tea in the beautiful recreation room of the Florence Nightingale Nurses' Home. Here, despite the war, and partly on account of the profusion of lovely spring flowers, those in charge had managed to create something of the quiet, peaceful atmosphere which must ever be the ideal of our profession even when, as at present, it is called upon to face constant danger, and death itself.

PRIZE LIST, 1941.

Prizes Presented by Her Grace Lady Colquhoun.

Miss M. F. Manson, 1st prize, Medical Nursing, May, 1940, Class.

Miss J. E. Salzmann, 2nd prize equal, Medical Nursing, May, 1940, Class.

Miss W. Fleming, 2nd prize equal, Medical Nursing, May, 1940, Class.

Miss J. G. Macpherson, 1st prize equal, Medical Nursing March, 1941, Class.

Miss M. Drife, 1st prize equal, Medical Nursing, March, 1941, Class.

Miss M. S. Inglis, 2nd prize, Medical Nursing, March, 1941, Class.

Miss M. L. Landale, 1st prize, Materia Medica.

Miss E. M. Wilkie, 2nd prize, Materia Medica.

Miss M. L. King, 1st prize, Gynæcology.

Miss M. A. Robertson, 2nd prize, Gynæcology.

Miss E. A. Robertson, 1st prize, Surgical Nursing and Instruments, April, 1940, Class.

Miss Littlewood, 2nd prize, Surgical Nursing and Instruments, April, 1940, Class.

Miss H. McDougall, 1st prize, Surgical Nursing and Instruments, January, 1941, Class.

Miss B. Milligan, 2nd prize equal, Surgical Nursing and Instruments, January, 1941, class.

Miss B. Milligan, 1st prize, Senior General Nursing, September, 1940, Class.

Miss L. Wood, 2nd prize equal, Surgical Nursing and Instruments, January, 1941, Class.

Miss E. M. Borthwick, 1st prize, Special Subjects.

Miss R. Hill, 1st prize, Senior General Nursing, July, 1940, Class.

Miss M. C. Scott, 1st prize, Senior General Nursing, February, 1941, Class.

Miss M. C. Scott, 1st prize equal, Junior General Nursing, September, 1940, Class.

Miss C. P. Nairn, 1st prize equal, Junior General Nursing, September, 1940, Class.

Miss D. Kyles, 1st prize, Junior General Nursing, March, 1941, Class.

Miss D. Kyles, 1st prize, Physiology, October, 1940, Class.

Miss Margaret Hughes, 1st prize, Junior General Nursing, April, 1941, Class.

Miss E. J. McCaig, 1st prize, Hygiene, July, 1940, Class.

Miss Z. Campbell, 1st prize, Hygiene, November, 1940, Class.

Miss J. E. Calembert, 1st prize, Hygiene, March, 1941, Class.

Miss A. I. Stephen, 1st prize, Physiology, June, 1940, Class.

Miss M. E. Munro, 1st prize, Physiology, February, 1941, Class.

Miss C. P. Nairn, 1st prize, Bacteriology, April, 1941, Class.

Miss E. A. Robertson, 1st prize, "Annie Warren Gill" Memorial Prize for Theory of Dietetics.

Miss M. R. Wilson, 2nd prize, "Annie Warren Gill" Memorial Prize for Theory of Dietetics.

Miss M. F. Manson, "Affleck" Special Prize for Medical Nursing.

Miss Edith C. Thomas, "Affleck" Medal, and Medical Superintendent's Special Prize.

Warm congratulations to all the happy recipients of Prizes, and may their skill benefit their fellow creatures for many years.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Isolation Hospital, Plymouth.—Miss C. A. Howard, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the North-Eastern Hospital, Tottenham; the Dreadnought Hospital, Greenwich; and the Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women, London. Miss Howard was engaged in Private Nursing at St. Augustin's Nursing Home, St. Leonards-on-Sea, and at the Central Spa Nursing Home, Cheltenham; and has been Ward Sister, Relief Home Sister, Night Sister, Office Sister, Housekeeping Sister and Assistant Sister Tutor at the South-Eastern Hospital, New Cross, London; and Sister Tutor, King George Hospital, Ilford.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Auxiliary Hospital, Truro.—Miss D. M. Seymour, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Royal West Sussex Hospital, Chichester; the Maternity Hospital, Leicester, and the West Suffolk General Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds. Miss Seymour has been relief Administrative Sister at King George Hospital, Ilford; Senior Sister and Deputy Matron at the District Hospital, Ashby-de-la-Zouch; Housekeeping Sister at the Royal Eye Hospital, Manchester; and relief Holiday Sister at Rochdale. She holds a Housekeeping Certificate.

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