

OFFICIAL REPORTS OF SOCIETIES

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[We must ask contributors to this department to make their reports as concise as possible, omitting all mention of regular routine business, and stating such facts as are of special interest to absent members or to the profession at large. The JOURNAL has already increased its regular reading pages from sixty-four to eighty, and it must keep within these limits for at least the remainder of the present year. In order to do this all of the departments are being condensed to make room for our constantly increasing items of interest.—Ed.]

THE NURSES' ASSOCIATED ALUMNÆ

THE sixth annual convention of the National Society will be opened in Boston in Potter Hall, the New Century Building, 177 Huntington Avenue, on Wednesday, June 10. At one o'clock the presentation of credentials, the registration of delegates, and the payment of annual dues will be in order. At three o'clock the Rev. Edward Everett Hale, D.D., will make the invocation.

The address of welcome will be delivered by Mrs. Ednah D. Cheney, with a response by the president; the assembly will then be adjourned for an informal reception of delegates and visitors by the officers.

Thursday, May 11.—Roll-call at half-after nine in the morning, and delegates should endeavor to be present at that time.

The secretary's report on behalf of the Executive Committee will be called for and followed by the report of the treasurer. After these will come the reports of the committees, and one very important report will be that of the Constitution Committee. The amended constitution, as proposed at the fifth annual convention, will come up for a final vote this year, and each delegate should be supplied with a copy of the old constitution, of the revised one, and of the fifth annual report; indeed, each delegate should have in her possession a copy of each of the five annual reports issued by the Associated Alumnae, otherwise she will find it difficult to follow the discussions.

Most interesting and inspiring will be the reports to be made officially, for the first time, from the five State societies—Illinois, North Carolina, New Jersey, New York, and Virginia.

The papers for discussion will be upon "The Administration of Private Sanatoria," "The Duty of the Superintendent in Instructing the Pupil Nurse as to Her Duty to the School Alumnae," "State Registration," "State Legislation," "Ethics," "The Working of a Registry," with several suggested topics for the "open meeting."

All nurses are cordially invited to the Associated Alumnae meetings whether members of an affiliated society or not.

Boston and its suburbs offer much to the visitor at any time, and nurses should make an especial effort to combine the advantage of being present at a gathering representing about eight thousand of their profession and going over such historic ground.

On Thursday evening a reception will be given to the officers, delegates, and their friends by the Nurses' Alumnae Association and the Nurses' Club of the Boston City Hospital.

From eight to ten o'clock on Friday evening a dinner will be given to the delegates and officers by the Alumnae Associations of Massachusetts.

Those wishing to arrange about stopping-places should write to the Bureau of Information, Boston Nurses' Club, 755 Boylston Street, or see list of hotels with rates as published in the May number of *THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING*.

A reduction in transportation has been secured, and delegates and visiting members are asked to conform to the directions for obtaining the certificate.

Tickets at full fare for the going journey may be secured within three days, exclusive of Sunday, prior to the first day of the convention. Each purchaser of a ticket should ask the agent for a certificate—do not make the mistake of asking for a receipt. Certificates are not kept at all stations. If there should be none at the small station where the delegate is to board the train, she should be instructed to purchase a local ticket to the larger station, where she may obtain a through ticket and a certificate. In view of this contingency the wisdom of arranging for transportation two or three days in advance will be seen.

An agent of the railway company will be in attendance the afternoon of June 11 to validate certificates. No certificate can be validated except during the time the agent is at the Convention Hall, and unless the certificate is validated the holder is not entitled to any reduction on the return fare.

The committee will be glad to receive propositions that may be presented by any alumnae, and information will be gladly supplied upon request by the secretary,

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NEW YORK STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION

THE second annual meeting of the New York State Nurses' Association was held in Albany on April 21, 1903.

The meeting was called to order at ten-fifteen A.M., the acting president, Miss Bailey, in the chair, who took occasion at this time to announce that the Armstrong bill, in which the association was so deeply interested, had passed the State Assembly the previous night by a vote of one hundred and two to twelve. This statement was greeted with applause.

The secretary called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting, which, after a slight correction, were approved as read.

The presiding officer announced that the order of the day would be the reading of reports of the different officers and committees, leaving the election of officers and other work until the afternoon.

Miss Brooks, the treasurer, read her report, which was approved.

The president reminded the members that some of them were still in arrears for the year 1903, and that the treasurer was very much in need of money.

The secretary read a report of the two years she had served during the lifetime of the association, showing the growth of the association and the work accomplished. The chair stated that this was certainly a very encouraging report. Upon motion this report was accepted.

Miss Maxwell, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, not being present, her report was read by Miss O'Neill. This report showed that for the last

quarter of the year, ending April 21, applications have been received for seventeen individual memberships and seven alumnae associations, as follows:

The Alumnae Association of St. Mary's Hospital Training-School for Nurses, Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, thirty.

Alumnae Association of the Training-School for Nurses of the Roosevelt Hospital, New York City. Membership, sixty.

Alumnae Association of the Kings County Hospital Training-School for Nurses. Membership, thirty.

Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital Training-School for Nurses. Membership, two hundred and eighty-five.

Alumnae Association of the Training-School for Nurses of the New York Post-Graduate School and Hospital. Membership, one hundred.

Alumnae Association of the Brooklyn Homœopathic Hospital Training-School for Nurses. Membership, sixty.

Alumnae Association of Mt. Sinai Training-School for Nurses, New York City. Membership, eighty-four.

Miss Carli Andersen, Eppendorf Hospital, Hamburg, Germany, 1893, Old Marion Street Hospital (Maternity), New York, 1897; Miss Edith H. Shay, Geneva City Hospital, Geneva, N. Y.; Miss Ida B. Meeks, Amsterdam Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Miss Mary B. Soeti, City of Kingston Hospital, Kingston, N. Y.; Miss Mary A. C. Moore, Bellevue Hospital, New York City; Miss Susan I. McGee, Amsterdam Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Miss Agnes A. Douglas, Episcopal Hospital Training-School, Philadelphia, Pa. (post-graduate Boston Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary); Miss Minnie Hilbert Gloor, Amsterdam Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Miss Evelyn Lee Messenger, 1893, Auburn City Hospital, Auburn, N. Y.; Miss Olive B. Barclay, 1901, Amsterdam City Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Miss Sarah E. Ward, 1892, New England Hospital and Boston Lying-in, 1893; Illinois Training-School, 1897; Miss Jane H. Pindell, 1900, New York City Training-School, New York City; Miss Martha E. Bollerman, 1900, New York City Training-School, New York City; Miss Elizabeth A. Olwell, Metropolitan Training-School, New York City; Miss Mary A. Houlihan, 1903, Metropolitan Training-School, New York City; Miss Sarah Isabel Hunter, 1902, Metropolitan Training-School, New York City; Miss Lillian E. Riley, 1896, New Jersey State Hospital, Morris Plains, N. J.

These associations and individuals, having met all the requirements in the by-laws, were recommended to the association for further action.

List of applications received and approved by Credentials Committee after March 1, 1903:

Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital Training-School for Nurses. Membership, one hundred and one.

Alumnae Association of the Brooklyn Hospital Training-School for Nurses. Membership, one hundred and two.

Alumnae Association of the Training-School for Nurses of the German Hospital. Membership, seventy-seven.

Miss Agnes McInnes, 1898, New Jersey State Hospital, Morris Plains, N. J.; Miss Eva V. Kay, 1898, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Helena Mills, 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Elsbeth H. Stahl, 1891, Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Caroline A. Dockstader, 1901, Amsterdam Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Miss Alma G. Clark, 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Ida M. Wainwright, 1902, Hahnemann

Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Margaret E. Reynolds, 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Lillian E. Bickle, 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Maude L. Parks, 1901, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.; Miss Marie Schwartz, 1898, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.; Mrs. F. R. Fulton, 1903, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.; Miss Ruth A. Hathaway, 1900, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary Weideman, 1899, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.; Miss Maude Granger Tompkins, 1902, St. John's Training-School, St. John's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Minnie J. Ledlie (John B.), 1902, the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md.; Miss Helen M. Nixon, 1899, Metropolitan Hospital, New York City; Miss Evelyn Nixon, 1899, Metropolitan Hospital, New York City; Miss Bessie Sarah Palmer, 1896, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.; Miss Ida E. Thomas, 1898, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.

Total *alumnæ* associations, three; individuals, twenty.

After a slight correction the report was approved as read.

Upon motion that the applications be voted upon as a whole and accepted by the society the motion was carried.

Miss Ida Palmer, chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-laws, said all work done towards changes in the by-laws was in the hands of the secretary, who had sent copies of the proposed amendments to each member and to the secretary of each organization.

In the absence of Miss Allerton, chairman of the Legislative Committee, who was ill and unable to be present, the report was read by Miss Cadmus as follows:

"It has been a year of great anxiety for all of us who realize what this bill means to us, namely, making the art of nursing a profession. It seems a far cry from November, 1899, to April, 1903. The paper read by Miss Palmer before the Federation of Women's Clubs in November, 1899, on "State Registration of Nurses," and supplemented by me only because of lack of time for Miss Palmer to get the subject properly before the audience, was the beginning of any active work in this direction. We had a resolution prepared and passed by this body of women at this time favoring such registration. We then claimed that nurses should examine nurses, and that in no other way but by registration under the Regents could the standards of training-schools be elevated and the instruction be made uniform. The idea grew and the nurses became interested. Societies were formed. Then, two years ago, came the State society, which has now fifteen hundred and nine members as trained nurses. One year ago we felt that we were in working order and began this strenuous work. The bill was given to Senator Armstrong, of Monroe County. In this work he has been most ably seconded by the Assemblymen from Monroe County, Mr. Martin Davis, Mr. Eugene Dwyer, Mr. G. H. Smith, and Mr. Pallace. That they have worked faithfully against great odds you know. I will from here on submit the report of the proceedings as published by *THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING*. The Armstrong bill passed the Senate, but was not sent over to the Assembly until last week. It is now on the calendar and comes up for passage April 20. On April 9 Mr. Nye's bill for registration of nurses came up for the third reading. We succeeded in having it amended to conform exactly with the Armstrong bill. The amendment was carried by a large majority and the bill was sent back to be reprinted. We consider this condition of affairs very favorable for the passage of the Armstrong bill, and hope at the time of reading this report the Governor will be ready to sign the bill. I wish to acknowledge ten dollars

received from Dr. William S. Ely, of Rochester, and five dollars from Miss M. Louise Longeway, of New York, which was used for telephone and telegrams: I also thank the nurses and friends who have so loyally stood by us and held up the arms of the committee.

" Respectfully submitted,
" April 15." (Signed) " EVA ALLERTON.

After being moved and seconded, the report was accepted as read.

Miss S. F. Palmer asked the privilege of the floor in order to speak a few words in regard to the work done by Miss Allerton for the society. She said Miss Allerton was a magnificent leader and had been magnificently assisted by New York, Buffalo, Jamestown, and other places; that it had been found in coming to Albany to lobby that the work of individual nurses had told tremendously in this State.

A motion was made that we give Miss Allerton and her committee a vote of thanks.

This was amended by Miss Palmer to the effect that the secretary be instructed to send Miss Allerton a telegram at the close of the session expressing thanks and appreciation of the members.

Seconded and carried unanimously by a rising vote.

The report of the Committee on Publication and Press was read and accepted.

Two of the trustees being present, they stated there was no report to make.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows: For president—Miss Rhodes, Miss Twitchell; for first vice-president—Miss Gardner, Mrs. A. Morgan; for second vice-president—Miss Keating, Mrs. Longenfelter; for secretary—Miss Pindell, Miss McCallum; for treasurer—Miss Daniels, Miss Silver; for trustee—Miss O'Neill, Miss Dall.

A motion was made by Miss S. F. Palmer and seconded by Miss Dock that the report be accepted. Carried.

The amendments to the by-laws then came up for discussion and were by consent put over to the afternoon session.

Moved, seconded, and carried that we adjourn at twelve-thirty-five.

The afternoon session was called to order at one-thirty by the presiding officer, who read a telegram from Miss Allerton congratulating the association upon the passage of the Armstrong bill and expressing a hope that the members call upon the Governor; also one from Miss Damer.

The work of amending the by-laws was then taken up, the result of which will be published by the Committee on Revision of the By-laws.

Miss S. F. Palmer took the floor and said that she had a recommendation which was sent to her by Mr. Andrews, the legal adviser of the Legislative campaign, drawn by him, which, if Miss Allerton were present, would probably come from her. Miss Palmer stated that at the present time there was no clause in the by-laws by which a Board of Examiners might be selected, and this resolution was proposed as a proper way for the society to provide for this emergency until it could be provided for in the by-laws in proper form. The resolution was then read and presented to the society for consideration.

" WHEREAS, The Senate and Assembly of the State of New York have passed the Armstrong bill, being an act to amend the Public Health Law relative to the practice of nursing, and

"WHEREAS, It seems probable that said act will soon receive Executive approval and become a law, and

"WHEREAS, Said act provides among other changes that the New York State Nurses' Association shall nominate ten nurses and present the names of said nominees to the Regents of the University of the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, By the New York State Nurses' Association, that the Executive Committee be and the said committee hereby is empowered to select the said nominees and transmit their names to the secretary of the Regents."

A motion was made by Miss Thornton and seconded by Miss Stone that the resolution be adopted as read. Carried.

After more discussion and business connected with the by-laws, etc., the election of officers was taken up with the following result:

President, Miss Annic Rhodes, 202 West Seventy-fourth Street, New York.

First vice-president, Mrs. A. Morgan, Lincoln Hospital, New York.

Second vice-president, Mrs. Lingenfelter, Amsterdam Hospital, Amsterdam.

Secretary, Miss McCallum, Post-Graduate Hospital, New York.

Treasurer, Miss Silver, New York City Training-School, New York.

Trustee, Miss O'Neil, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn.

It was moved and seconded that the same chairmen of all committees be retained for the coming year.

Miss Palmer declining to serve on the Committee on Publication and Press, Miss Stone was elected to fill her place.

One special committee—on Resolutions—was added and Miss Thornton was chosen as chairman.

Three members of the Executive Committee were elected from the floor, Miss McKinnon, of Buffalo; Miss McDermott, of Utica, and Miss Lord, of Albany.

After a vote of thanks was given to each of the retiring officers the meeting adjourned to reconvene in New York City the last Tuesday in October, 1903.

ELIZABETH C. SANFORD, Secretary.

ORDER OF SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR NURSES

THE annual meeting of the Spanish-American War Nurses will this year be held in San Francisco, Cal., on August 21, 1903, thus taking advantage of the Grand Army of the Republic rates on the railways and getting to San Francisco after the G. A. R. has left that city. It is planned for the tourist agents, Summons & Marsters, of Boston, to take charge of the entire trip. The cost from the Atlantic coast will be one hundred and twenty-two dollars, and will include everything, from residence to San Francisco and back. For two in one berth the cost will be one hundred and fifteen dollars. Members living near San Francisco will have lower rates. Ample facilities for making tea and coffee and cooking simple food will be provided on the train. Stops will be made at Denver, Colorado Springs, Glenwood Springs, Salt Lake City, and other points, with opportunities for side trips to Garden of the Gods, Pike's Peak, etc. Two days will be spent in San Francisco, where trips are planned by resident members. Return trip over southern route stops in Los Angeles, San José, and Santa Barbara. Route through the great Mojave Desert, stop at Laguna, N. M., to visit Pueblos of Moki Indians. Arrive in Chicago on Monday, August 31, at ten P.M.

Members of the Spanish-American War Nurses are at liberty to bring any friends they wish with them.

For particulars address Simmons & Marsters, No. 26 School Street, Boston, Mass., or Mrs. George Lounsbury, treasurer Spanish-American War Nurses, Charleston, W. Va. Fuller particulars will be published next month.

A NEW ASSOCIATION

A MEETING for the purpose of organizing a Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association will be held on Monday and Tuesday, June 8 and 9, in the Hall of the College of Physicians, southeast corner of Locust and Thirteenth Streets, Philadelphia.

The meeting will be called at ten A.M., Monday, June 8. An effort will be made to have the business finished in time to enable those who desire to attend the Convention of the Associated Alumnae in Boston, June 10.

All alumnae associations, nurses' clubs, and schools having no organized association are earnestly requested to send delegates.

All resident graduate nurses in the State of Pennsylvania are invited to be present and take part in the discussions.

The ultimate object in organizing a State society is to secure legislation for the advancement of the nursing profession.

A. E. BROBSON,
J. H. MORLAND,
L. ALLEN,
Committee on Circular.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL NURSING IN NEW YORK

MISS ADA M. CLARKE, of St. Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn, has been appointed on the service in place of Miss Myer, resigned, and Mrs. H. O. Whitehill, of the Long Island College Hospital, has been appointed in place of Miss Chappelle, resigned.

The knowledge of the Public School Nursing is arousing general interest, requests for detailed information having come from points as remote as California, Virginia, Cuba, and many places nearer home.

A German physician visiting the country came lately to investigate the medical inspection and the nursing service in the schools and was much interested, and on May 7 Dr. Lederle, Health Commissioner, and Miss Rogers, Supervising School Nurse, went to New Haven on invitation of the Eastern Educational Association to speak upon the work and the bearing it has upon the education of the child.

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THE OFFICIAL AXE FALLS

CHICAGO.—Governor Yates has attached his veto to the "Nurses' Bill." The bill provided for the examination, registration, and licensing of nurses and for the regulation of institutions which graduate or confer degrees or diplomas on nurses by the State Board of Health. In explaining his reason for vetoing the bill Governor Yates says:

"I veto this bill because I do not believe there was due deliberation in its consideration and passage, and because it is not consistent with the general policy of the constitution."

One of the chief objects set out by the Governor is the provision for examination. On this subject he says:

"It has been proposed that a State Board of Nursing Examiners be appointed by the Governor from a list of nominations submitted by the State Nurses' Society. If the tendency is not checked it soon will be proposed that the Attorney-General be required to appoint the Assistant Attorney-General from a list of nominations presented by the State Bar Association. In other words, there seems to be a decided tendency towards 'government by society,' which is as objectionable as any other kind of government not recognized by the constitution."

REGULAR MEETINGS

NEW YORK.—The first annual meeting of the Association of Graduate Nurses of Manhattan and Bronx was held on May 5 in the lecture-room of the League for Political Education. The meeting was very well attended. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The report of the secretary gave evidence of increasing interest in the association by the New York nurses. The treasurer's report showed a balance, when all the expenses of the year were paid, of twenty-two dollars and eighty-three cents. The report of the delegates to the Nurses' State Association, held in Albany last month, was heard with interest.

This association desires to bring before the New York nurses the reason for its existence, and also particularly its objects, viz.:

"To aid in securing State legislation and registration, to elevate the professional standard, and to cultivate and cherish a feeling of good-fellowship among the members."

Two years ago, when the New York State Nurses' Association was organized, with the primary object of securing State legislation for the nursing profession, its by-laws relating to eligibility and membership stated that all resident nurses of the State meeting these requirements were eligible for membership; also that its members should be delegates from organized local associations of nurses and individual nurses, such individuals to be asked to organize when they should have reached twenty-five in a county.

At that time the only organized local associations existing were the *alumnæ* associations of the various training-schools. These, of course, included only their own graduates. There still remained a large body of nurses not belonging to the *alumnæ* associations who were resident in the State and engaged in private practice and institution work who could have no voice nor representation in the State association except through individual membership.

Believing in organization and the advantages to be gained by unity of thought and purpose, the Association of Graduate Nurses of Manhattan and Bronx was organized in New York City to include all graduate nurses in good standing resident in Manhattan and Bronx not connected with any other local association. This association has the same eligibility clause as the State association and practically the same objects as the *alumnæ* associations. It has now at the end of its first year forty members on the roll. At the last meeting of the State association it was admitted to membership in that body, and will send to the next meeting in Albany this month three delegates who will carry with them the votes of its members, thereby having a voice in the affairs of the State association equal to that of the *alumnæ* associations.

During the past winter the association has united with the Associated

Alumnæ of the city in an arrangement with the League for Political Education for a course of lectures especially planned for nurses on "Civil Government," "Sociology," "Current Events," etc., allowing its members to attend the course at a moderate cost.

It is hoped that during another year the membership will be greatly increased and that there will be a decided advance along educational lines and in social intercourse, and we trust many nurses who have not thus far been especially interested may consider more seriously the objects of the association and join with us.

Blank forms for application can be had by writing to the secretary.

At the annual meeting the Membership Committee had a list of twenty applications for membership. Nineteen of these were approved, one was held for further consideration, and eight applications were received too late to be acted upon this month. The following are the officers elected for the year: President, Miss McKechnie; vice-president, Miss Kirschhoff; secretary, Miss Bussell; treasurer, Miss Carson. The three trustees elected are Miss Maxwell, Miss Daniels, and Miss McCallum. A vote of thanks was given to the retiring officers, Miss Spring-Price and Miss Wakefield. The rapid increase in membership during the past six months has been very satisfactory, and the association has every reason to feel assured of success in its future.

NEW YORK.—The members of Camp Roosevelt, Spanish-American War Nurses, met at the club-rooms, 155 East Eighty-third Street, on Monday, May 4, at three P.M. The meeting was presided over by Captain Saunders. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved of. Reports from the Committees on By-laws and Finances were postponed until June. A letter was read from Mrs. Lounsbury in which she spoke of the proposed trip to San Francisco in August of the Spanish-American War Nurses at the same time that the Grand Army of the Republic has its excursion, and hoped to be able to secure for us very moderate rates and stopovers in different cities en route. Mrs. Lounsbury begs all members of the society to send her at once their correct addresses. A letter of greeting from Miss Wilson, the general recording secretary of the order, was read. Miss Wilson urges all members to take an active interest in the association and congratulates "Camp Roosevelt" on its successful start. A motion was carried that all members of the Spanish-American War Nurses who apply for membership in Camp Roosevelt wear their badge of the order, as there are only two requirements necessary for joining—namely, the payment of the dues and the fact of belonging to the Spanish-American War Nurses' Association. A vote of thanks was tendered Dr. McGee for the pleasure derived from the reading of the pamphlets which she sent us, and we trust that we shall again be so favored. The many friends of Miss Esther Hasson will deeply feel for her in the death of her brother. A letter of sympathy has been sent her from Camp Roosevelt, of which she is a charter member. When all business on hand had been attended to the remaining hour was spent in the telling of anecdotes and reminiscences of camp life. The next meeting will take place on Monday, June 1, at three P.M., at the usual place.

BROOKLYN.—The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital Training-School was held at the Methodist Episcopal Hospital on April 8, Miss Waterman in the chair. After the regular business the result of

the election was announced by the chairman of the Nominating Committee and was as follows: President, Miss L. Waterman; first vice-president, Miss M. Seward; second vice-president, Miss O. Shipman; treasurer, Mrs. A. Prentis; secretary, Miss Edna Copeland. Standing committees, appointed by the chair, were as follows: Credentials Committee—Miss Frost, Miss Stoney, and Miss Ferris; Educational Committee—Miss Ida Hall, Miss De Witt, and Miss Shipman; Social Committee—Mrs. Calkins, Miss Hope, Miss Gaskin, Miss Ellis, and Miss Stubenrauch. Miss Smith and Miss Treganza were proposed for membership. There was an informal discussion of the reception to be tendered the graduating class of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital Training-School. An interesting letter from Miss Hall, supervisor of the General Hospital, Seattle, Wash., former supervisor of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, was then read and very much enjoyed. Miss Hope and Miss Shipman were appointed to respond to this letter. Dr. Kavanagh, superintendent, and Miss Hurd, supervisor, of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, were proposed for honorary membership and unanimously elected. The association proceeded to elect a delegate to the annual convention of the Associated Alumnae to be held in Boston. Miss Waterman was elected, and Miss Richards and Mrs. Prentis as alternates. Meeting adjourned.

BROOKLYN.—The annual meeting of the Long Island College Hospital Alumnae Association has just been held, Miss Davids, the president, in the chair. The usual annual reports were read, approved, and suggestions adopted. The following persons were duly appointed the officers for the coming year: President, Miss Davids; first vice-president, Miss Nelson; second vice-president, Miss A. Wiley; recording secretary, Miss L. M. Sargent; corresponding secretary, Miss C. Hall, 163 Congress Street; treasurer, Miss Burdick, 128 Pacific Street, Brooklyn; secretary and treasurer of the Sick Fund, Miss E. G. Brown, 663 Flatbush Avenue. The Executive Committee are Miss E. Hall, Miss J. E. O'Daly, Miss S. M. Nelson, Miss C. Arnold, Miss S. M. Johnson. On April 17 a progressive euchre was held at the Pierrepont Assembly rooms for the benefit of the new registry for graduate nurses of the Long Island College Hospital Training-School, which proved a great success. A large number of prizes were donated, as well as a very liberal supply of refreshments. The proceeds realized over three hundred dollars. The register and club was opened on May 1, under the superintendence of Miss S. M. Nelson, and is now in full operation in providing nurses. The major part of the rooms have already been taken up.

BALTIMORE.—The regular meeting of the University of Maryland Nurses' Alumnae was held in the reception-room of the hospital on March 26, 1903, at four p.m. Dr. Anita Newcomb McGee, president of the Spanish-American War Nurses' Association, addressed the members on army nursing during the Spanish-American War. The address was very interesting and thoroughly appreciated by all present. After the meeting adjourned Mrs. Taylor, superintendent of nurses, kindly served refreshments in the form of tea and cake. Dr. McGee was escorted through the hospital and Nurses' Club, 21 North Carey Street. She seemed specially pleased with the Nurses' Club. The University of Maryland Nurses' Alumnae will always remember Dr. McGee as a friend of the army nurse. A special meeting of this association was held Wednesday, April 15, 1903, at four p.m., at the Nurses' Club, 21 North Carey Street. The object of the meeting was the election of delegate for the convention in June to be held in Boston, Mass. Miss Eleanor Mayes was elected.

CHICAGO.—The regular monthly meeting of St. Luke's Alumnae Association was held on Wednesday, April 15, at three P.M., at the hospital. Preceding a most delightful and interesting talk on food values, given by Mrs. Norton, of the University of Chicago, a short business session was held. Six new names were presented for membership. The report of the Programme Committee was taken up, giving an almost full outline of proposed work for next year. A motion was carried that the acceptance of the programme be voted upon at the annual meeting in June. A motion was also carried to call a special meeting on Wednesday, April 29, to determine the pleasure of this association regarding the proposed changes in the constitution of the National Association. At said special meeting there was an unusually large attendance, and the matter in hand was thoroughly discussed and well considered. This association strongly advocated the three-year training limit for eligibility to membership in the National Association.

ERIE COUNTY ALUMNÆ.—The Erie County Hospital Alumnae Association met on May 6 with the nurses at 344 West Avenue. The regular routine business was transacted. The association decided to pay five dollars towards the reports of the Congress held in Buffalo in 1901, for which they will receive four copies. Miss Emma J. Keating was appointed a delegate to the Boston meeting in June; Miss Ellen Mullett alternate. Miss McKinnon, president, gave the report, as delegate, of the New York State Nurses' Association meeting held in Albany in April, and at the close of her remarks it was decided that the association pay a share of the expenses incurred in the passage of the "Nurses' Bill" through the Legislature. The association accepted an invitation from Mrs. Welsh to meet at her home, 550 Main Street, Niagara Falls, N. Y., next month. Adjourned at four-forty-five P.M. to meet the first Wednesday in June.

PHILADELPHIA.—The graduate nurses of the Jewish Hospital have formed an Alumnae Association with Miss McCoy as president; Miss Halsey, the first vice-president; Mrs. Tyre, second vice-president, and Miss Halsey, secretary and treasurer. The meetings will be held in the lecture-room of the hospital on the first Tuesday afternoon in each month at three P.M. by courtesy of the hospital managers. The graduates are scattered and some addresses cannot be found, but certainly all will want to join in making the alumnae a success. Those who have not received notice of the same, please send name and address at once to the secretary, Miss Rebecca R. Halsey, 6043 Main Street, Germantown, Philadelphia.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y.—The annual meeting of the Nathan Littauer Hospital Alumnae Association was held at the hospital on April 30. Officers were elected for the coming year and a light literary programme planned. The "Past Year's Work," which consisted of short papers on diseases and nursing topics, was very beneficial, and was much enjoyed by the members. Answering the roll-call with a current topic or suffering the penalty of paying a fine has added somewhat to our sick fund.

BROOKLYN.—The regular monthly meeting of the Brooklyn Hospital Alumnae was held at the Training-School on Tuesday afternoon, May 4, and was unusually well attended, thirty-two members being present. The question was again brought up and discussed as to the ways and means of raising money for an endowment fund. It is earnestly hoped that every member of our alumnae will give or try to raise fifty dollars or more if possible during the coming year towards that fund.

PORTLAND, ME.—A regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Training-School for Nurses of the Maine General Hospital was held at the committee-room of the hospital on May 6 at eight P.M. After the business meeting four members were elected and three more names proposed, after which a very interesting paper on epilepsy was read by Dr. Jane Lord Hersom. The meeting then adjourned until the first Wednesday in June.

DETROIT.—The Farrand Training-School Alumnae Association held its regular monthly meeting to-day, which was followed by a social meeting, during which some selections by a professional elocutionist were given. Refreshments were then served, the table looking very pretty. The occasion was so thoroughly enjoyed that the members decided on frequent repetitions.

BOSTON.—A meeting of the graduate nurses of Massachusetts is appointed to take place at four P.M., June 11, at Potter Hall, 177 Huntington Avenue, Boston. The purpose of the meeting is to complete the organization of the State Association and to consider any other business that may properly come before the association. A full attendance is desired.

LEBANON HOSPITAL, NEW YORK.—The name of the treasurer of the Alumnae Society, Miss Estelle Nesbit, was inadvertently omitted in the report of last month.

ALUMNAE COPIES requiring copies of the "Transactions of the International Congress of Nurses" are to apply to Miss M. M. Riddle, 745 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston.

THE COMMITTEE on the Course in Hospital Economics begs to acknowledge ten dollars received from Dr. J. S. Cook, of Buffalo.

THE Editor's address for the summer is Forest Lawn, Monroe County, N. Y.

MARRIAGES

"BELL—SNEATH.—At Penetanguishene, on April 22, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Alfred Sneath, by the Rev. Chas. E. Perry, brother-in-law of the bride, Miss Martha A. Sneath and Andrew James Bell, professor of Latin in Victoria College, Toronto." Mrs. Bell is a graduate of the Toronto General Hospital Training-School, Class of 1894. Mr. and Mrs. Bell sailed for Europe on April 29, where they will spend the summer months. They will reside in Toronto.

ON March 17, 1903, by the Rev. Dr. Engle, of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, Atlanta, Ga., Miss Blight, graduate of the University of Maryland Training-School for Nurses, Class of 1901, to Mr. Frederick Chambers. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Chambers have gone to Montgomery, Ala., to reside.

MISS GERTRUDE WIGGINS, a graduate of St. Luke's Hospital, St. Paul, Minn., Class of 1899, was married on Wednesday, April 29, 1903, to Dr. Judd Goderich, at Duluth, Minn. At home after September 1, 300 Goderich Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.

At Fort Defiance, Va., on January 15, Miss Rosabelle Perkins to Mr. Ernest Keesee, both of Virginia. Mrs. Keesee is a graduate of the Class of 1900 of the Old Dominion Hospital Training-School of Richmond, Va.

At Richmond, Va., on April 3, Miss A. W. McClung to Mr. George Gibson, of Richmond. Mrs. Gibson is a graduate of the Class of 1899 of the Old Dominion Hospital Training-School of Richmond, Va.

At Elmira, N. Y., April 29, Miss Katherine Agnes White, Class of 1898 of Williamsport (Pa.) Hospital Training-School, to Mr. L. Cromwell Crowe, of Philadelphia.

OBITUARY

At the monthly meeting of the Long Island College Hospital Alumnae Association, held on Tuesday, May 12, the following resolutions were adopted:

"WHEREAS, Since our last meeting it has pleased God in His all-wise providence to take away by death one of our much respected members in the person of Miss S. M. Barkhausen, of the Class of 1889:

"Resolved, To tender to her brother and friends the expression of our association's deepest sympathy with them in their bereavement, and that we all very sincerely feel the loss of our beloved sister, who was a credit to the nursing profession, in which she has done valued service during the fourteen years she was a member of it.

"Resolved, That a copy of the above be sent to THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING and a record of the same entered on the minutes of our society's meeting.

"A. NORTH,

"V. A. MONCK,

"C. HALL,

"Committee."

At her home in Bayonne, N. J., April 20, 1903, Eleanor B. Dower, graduate of the Newark City Hospital, Newark, N. J., Class of 1900.

Miss Dower gave promise in her training of a superior nurse. Directly following her graduation she took a position as night nurse in the Nyack Hospital, Nyack, N. Y., which position she held with credit to herself and the institution for over two years. Her influence was one of cheerful refinement. This, combined with conscientious faithfulness in her work, won the respect and appreciation of all with whom she came in contact, particularly her patients, and many are the lives to-day that are better for her watchful care and gentle influence.

CLARA HOBIGAN DEVLIN,

Ex-Superintendent Newark City Hospital Training-School, Newark, N. J.;

GERTRUDE MONTFORT,

Superintendent Nyack Hospital, Nyack, N. Y.

