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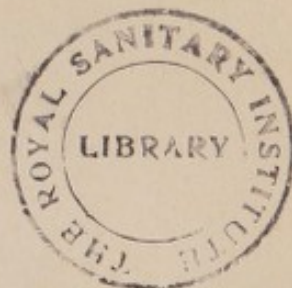
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REPORT.

The Forty-eighth Annual Report of the National Health Society shows a sustained and increasing effort to fulfil the original aim of the Society as expressed in its motto, "Prevention is better than Cure."

The most direct effort is now made through the high standard of training provided for women Health Visitors, etc., to act up to the Society's motto. Many suitable students to whom such training would otherwise be impossible have been assisted by financial loans, grants, etc. Every application made for admission to classes has been carefully considered, so that no really suitable candidate has missed the opportunity of securing a profession.

Training Courses.

The new scheme of Training for Health Visitors, etc., inaugurated by the Society last year in accordance with the regulations of the Board of Education and the Ministry of Health has been further extended and altered. The Board of Education have now consented to recognise certain previous qualifications and experience as *part* of the special training required for Health Visitors, etc. Special Shortened Courses are now held for Trained Nurses, etc.

The result of the special Examination for Health Visitors shows the very marked success of the Society's students and is the best proof of the thoroughness of the training given.

Details of the various Courses are given below :—

COURSE I.

TRAINING FOR HEALTH VISITORS AND INFANT WELFARE WORKERS, &c. (Recognised by the Board of Education.)

In compliance with the Regulations of the Board of Education and Ministry of Health provision is made for two recognised Courses.

- (a) A full Course of two years' duration for Students who possess no previous knowledge or experience of the special work required.
- (b) A shortened Course of 6—8 months' duration for
 - 1. A Hospital Nurse who has completed a three years' Course of Training at a recognised Training School for Nurses.
 - 2. A Health Visitor who has spent not less than three years in full time employment.
- (c) One year for a student who has obtained a University degree (or its equivalent), or V.A.D. of 3 years' service.

Students must have reached the age of 18 years before the commencement of their training.

Both Courses will commence each year in September, but arrangements will be made for the Students to join the Classes in January if necessary.

Fees for the Full Course of two years' duration ... £50 0 0

(Payable in two instalments of £25 per annum.)

Fee for the Shortened Course ... One year ... £25 0 0

Fee for the Shortened Course ... 6—8 months £12 12 0

The Training is divided into Theoretical and Practical Work and the Fee includes all Lectures and Tutorial Classes and Fees paid for Practical Training at Welfare Centres, etc., but does not include Midwifery Training or any board for Residential Training.

Examination Fees extra.

COURSE II.

IN PREPARATION FOR THE EXAMINATION OF THE SANITARY
INSPECTORS' EXAMINATION BOARD.

Candidates for the above Examination must have attained the age
of 21 years.

Fee for this Course only ... £16 16 0

If Course II. is taken with Course I. the additional fee is £5.

Appointments.

Here again our students have been very successful, most of them having secured good appointments almost immediately on the completion of their training.

Miss H. WIGGLESWORTH...Supt. Bramley Road School for Mothers
and Infant Welfare Centre, North
Kensington.

Miss M.L. WELLBELOVED...Health Lecturer under the British Red
Cross.

Miss H. J. MILLER.....Health Visitor, Essex County Council.

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Miss M. B. HARRIS.....Assistant Health Visitor, Borough of
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Miss D. BAKERHealth Visitor, Derby County Council.

Miss F. WEIR RHODESHealth Visitor, Derby County Council.

Miss S. W. FOUCAR.....Asst. Superintendent, Maternity and
Child Welfare Centre, Borough of
Finsbury.

- Miss A. M. HARROP.....Assistant Health Visitor, Borough of St. Pancras.
- Miss K. JERRARDHealth Visitor, Borough of Camberwell.
- Miss M. G. UPHAM.....Y.W.C.A. Girls' Campaign Secretary (temporary).
- Miss M. M. WILSONLecturer under the British Red Cross (temporary).

The sum of £2,000 was granted to the Society by the National Relief Fund, and a Sub-Committee was at once formed to assist suitable young women, who had suffered financially through the war, to train as Health Visitors and other Public Health appointments. Twenty-eight suitable women were trained and received maintenance grants during their period of training, and these have found well paid positions under the Ministry of Health.

Loan Fund.

At the termination of the War the Society received assistance from the Central Committee on Women's Training and Employment for many impecunious but *suitable* students, anxious to take up Public Health work, but who, having suffered financially in consequence of the War, were unable to afford the necessary fees for the training for Health Visitors and Infant Welfare Workers. Many cases were successfully assisted, and those helped have since obtained good appointments either as Health Visitors, Infant Welfare Workers or Lecturers on Infant and Child Welfare.

The British Red Cross Society granted sums for the training of ex-V.A.D.'s, and several are now engaged as itinerant lecturers and teachers under the Red Cross.

Now the War is over, subscriptions and donations are more than ever needed for our *special* Loan Fund, for although the sums loaned have in nearly every instance been returned in instalments, after the recipient has been in an appointment for three months, the increasing number of women anxious to enter on a career of such importance to the health of the nation makes it desirable that an ever-increasing sum of money should be available for this Fund, which is a most valuable asset in the work of the Society.

The names of the donors to the Loan Fund and the amounts they have kindly contributed are given below :—

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LORD LEVERHULME	100	0
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General Meeting.

This meeting was held at the Robert Barnes Hall, Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, W. 1, on May 10, 1922. H.R.H. Princess Christian, President of the Society, most graciously awarded the Certificates to the successful candidates for the year, who filed up in numbers to receive their honours from the hands of

the Royal President. Her Royal Highness was supported by His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, President of Council, who was heartily received and welcomed by the Society on his return from Canada.

A bouquet was presented to Her Royal Highness by Miss Rosemary Dawson, daughter of Lord Dawson of Penn.

Professor Kenwood, Vice-Chairman, in addressing the meeting, expressed the greatest regret at the absence of Sir James Crichton-Browne, Chairman of the Society, owing to illness.

The Hon. Treasurer, Sir Adrian Pollock, Sir Humphry Rolleston, President of the Royal College of Physicians, Sir Ray Lankester, K.C.B., F.R.S., Bishop Ridgeway, Dr. Porter, M.O.H., Borough of St. Marylebone, and Dr. Higgins, M.O.H., Borough of St. Pancras, addressed the meeting, the latter in his speech, referred to the importance of the Health Visitor, and said:

"I believe that the question of the value of the work of Health Visitors has recently been raised. I might say at once that, in my opinion, there is no doubt about it. If there was ever a movement which has produced wonderful results, it is the campaign for Child Welfare that has characterised the opening years of this century. To take an example from my own Borough, St. Pancras, its Child Welfare scheme took its origin in 1904, when the first woman was appointed to do health visiting work. (She was a National Health Society student.) The infant mortality that year was 152 per one thousand births. In 1920 and 1921 it was 73 and 76 respectively, a decrease of half."

Katharine, Duchess of Westminster, Lady Dawson of Penn, Sir John Bland Sutton, Mrs. Priestley and many old and valued members of the Society were on the platform.

Homely Talks.

Members are reminded that they are entitled to one or two free Homely Talks, Baby Talks, or Talks about Health, on various other important elementary subjects for Mothers' Meetings, Girls' Clubs, etc., in London. Competent lecturers, who are suitably chosen to meet the special needs of each audience, can be sent to meetings of working women, to girls' clubs, etc.

Subscriptions and Donations.

The Committee again earnestly beg for new members and subscribers. On every side the actual and necessary working expenses are still very high. If the Society is in any way to meet the many demands for help, which come before the Committee from educated women, faced with the stern necessity of supporting themselves but totally unable to meet the *expenses* of special training without assistance, an appeal to the generosity of friends and supporters for increased donations and subscriptions must be made.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1922.

We have audited the books and vouchers of the National Health Society for the year ended 30th June, 1922, and we certify the above Balance Sheet to be correct. The Certificates representing the Society's investments (as set out in the accompanying account) are in the custody of the Society's bankers.

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