

New Zealand Trained Nurses' Association

Auckland Branch

The 23rd general meeting of the Nurses' Association was held on the 31st of March, with Mrs. Todd Smith presiding. There was an attendance of twenty-five members. Miss Orr, Lady Superintendent of Auckland Hospital, was present on the invitation of the Council, and was welcomed by the President and Vice-Presidents.

Correspondence was read relating to the two resolutions which were passed at the Central

Council regarding insurance and hours of duty, and, after discussion, the Secretary was directed to reply that the members approved of the resolutions. A notice was read that at the next general meeting a motion regarding the list of inside and outside nurses be reconsidered. Arrangements for the winter lectures were then discussed, and afternoon tea given by members of the Council concluded the meeting.

Wellington Branch

Our new Nurses' Club was opened on March 26th, and nurses are now in residence. The house-warming took the form of a dance and bridge party, and was most successful. The proceeds will go towards the furnishing of the club. Full descriptions of the building have already been printed in KAI TIAKI, and there is no need to describe further. Our President and members of Council have worked so hard, and it now rests with our nurses, by their co-operation and by their loyalty, to make the Club a success. It is a perfectly beautiful home, and a credit to the profession throughout New Zealand. Miss Rowe has been appointed home secretary, and all Association business will now be done at the office in Kensington Street. The syllabus of lectures for 1913 has been arranged as follows:—

April 9th, Dr. Mason, "The General Principles of Vaccine Therapy," or "How the Body Defends Itself against Microbic Foes."

May 14th, Dr. Collins, "Some Features in the Nursing of Phthisis."

June 11th, Dr. Kate Hogg, "Nursing in Skin Diseases."

July 9th, Dr. Elliott, "Pneumonia."

July 23rd, Dr. Christie, "Some Points in the Nursing of Gynecological Cases."

August 13th, Dr. Agnes Bennett, "Fatigue."

September 10th, Dr. McGavin, "Some Materials Commonly used in Surgery."

October 8th, Dr. Giesen, "Variations in the Pulse and Temperature and their Significance."

Two of our most valued members of Council have resigned. Miss Maclean, who was one of our vice-presidents, and Mrs. Thomson, who for four years was honorary treasurer.

We accept their resignations with very much regret, and beg to tender our heartiest thanks to them for all the service they have given. Miss Payne has been elected to fill Miss Maclean's place as vice-president, and our nurses will be pleased to know that Mrs. Kendall will again be associated with us as member of Council. Mrs. J. G. Smith has also been elected member of Council.

Otago Branch

A pleasant evening was held by the Nurses' Association to welcome back Miss Sutherland and the president, Dr. Macdonald, with his bride. Mrs. Macdonald was Nurse Warn from Victoria, and was well

known by Dunedin nurses having spent some time there last year.

Miss Sutherland was requested to give an account of her visit to Cologne and her impressions of the Nurses' Congress for which