New Zealand Trained Nurses' Association

Auckland Branch.

The branch is in a sound financial position, the night nurses' quarters at the Club much appreciated, and the general working very satisfactory. The Club is kept busy. A series of winter functions have been inaugurated to bring the nurses into closer touch with one another, and for their mutual benefit.

Dr. Paget gave us a very interesting lecture, which was well attended and much appreciated by those doing maternity work, his simple sterilising appliances being the envy of many.

Rules.—A Sub-Committee has been appointed to go into the revision of rules. There are very few alterations necessary, and these will be put before a general meeting later.

New Members.—The following have joined since April:—Misses Waller, A. L. Voss, F. Wibley, I. Hood, L. M. Walker, C. Graham, B. G. Graham, A. M. Scott, M. Couper, M. Whisker.

Resignation.—Mrs. Oliphant has resigned from our Council after continuous membership from the beginning. We deeply regret losing her and will miss her from our midst, for she has been such a helpful worker for the Association's good ever since its inception.

Miss Statham (War Graves Inspector) has undertaken the care of a nurse's grave at O'Neill's Point Cemetery, and has also offered to care for any nurse's grave should she find it not cared for, free of charge. We thank her.

Miss Preece, Auckland Hospital, writes from her hospital, St. Andrew's, Ho Chien Fu, North China Mission, that she is back at her hospital after being very ill herself, but is sufficiently recovered to go on with her work. She finds it hard as times are so troublous, and the wounded as well as the usual flow of sick, are brought to her.

Miss Hall, who went out to China with Miss Preece, is at present in Auckland on furlough.

K. E. DEVEREUX, Hon. Sec.

HAWKE'S BAY BRANCH,

The need of a room in which to hold their Association meetings, and also of a residential club, has been much felt in Hawke's Bay, and a small beginning has been made by establishing a club room, which is open, not only for meetings, but at certain hours, morning, afternoon and evening, when tea can be obtained from an attendant.

The Napier City Council granted the Association tenancy of a large room in the Athenaeum Building free of rent for a year. The members set to work to have the room ready for the anniversary night, and are now the proud possessors of a well-furnished and attractive club room. One end of the room is screened off as a kitchenette, with a gas stove, and suite, and crockery cupboard. They also have a gas radiator to warm the room in winter.

On July 17th, the fourth anniversary of the foundation of the Hawke's Bay branch was celebrated by the opening of this room, when a social evening was held, Miss Macdonald, the President, being hostess. The room was beautifully decorated and a delightful supper was served, the chief feature being a wonderful birthday cake presented by Mrs. R. Bestall. After a happy speech, outlining the purposes of the Club, by Miss Macdonald, the Mayor, Mr. J. Vigor Brown, cut the cake and declared the room open.

HASTINGS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Sister Owen, who has been on the staff of the Napier Hospital for the last five years, has been appointed Sister in Charge of the Hastings Memorial Hospital.

The first baby was born in this hospi-

tal on August 5.

An ante-natal clinic is to be erected at the Hastings Hospital, a donation of £56 having been received from the Misses McHardy, which, with the Government subsidy, will be sufficient for the clinic. This hospital was officially opened on Anzac Day.