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Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.

HOSPITAL NURSES REGISTRATION.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for the Registration of Hospital Trained Nurses in New Zealand. Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Hospital Nurses Registration Act, 1901." Short Title.

2. In this Act, unless inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.
10 "Hospital" means a public hospital within the meaning of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act 1886 Amendment Act, 1886":

"Minister" means the Minister for the time being in charge of Hospitals:

15 "Registrar" means the Inspector-General of Hospitals in New Zealand.

3. (1.) The Registrar shall from time to time cause the names of all duly qualified nurses to be registered in a book to be kept by him at his office for that purpose, and to be called "The Hospital Nurses Register of New Zealand." Register of Nurses.

(2.) Such register shall show the name and address and qualifications of each nurse entered therein, and where and when she was trained.

25 (3.) A copy of the register shall be published in the *Gazette* annually in the month of January.

30 4. (1.) Every person who, on the passing of this Act, holds a certificate of three consecutive years' training as a nurse in a hospital, and proves that during her training she received systematic instruction in theoretical and practical nursing from the medical officer and matron (the matron herself being a certificated nurse), is entitled Who may be registered.

to registration on payment of a fee of *ten* shillings, and on application to the Registrar on or before the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and *two*.

(2.) Every person who, on the passing of this Act, has had four consecutive years' training as a nurse in a hospital, and passes an examination in theoretical and practical nursing by examiners appointed by the Governor under this Act, is entitled to registration on payment of a fee of *one* pound towards the cost of examination. 5

(3.) From and after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and *two*, every person who has attained the age of twenty-three years, and is certified as having had three years' training as a nurse in a hospital, together with systematic instruction in theoretical and practical nursing from the medical officer and the matron of that hospital (the matron herself being a certificated nurse), and who passes an examination from time to time held by examiners appointed under this Act, is entitled to registration on payment of a fee of *one* pound. 10 15

(4.) Every person is entitled to registration, on payment of a fee of *one* pound, who holds a certificate from the medical officer or authorities of any hospital out of New Zealand recognised by the Minister under any regulations under this Act. 20

Training necessary.

5. A certificate given after the passing of this Act by the medical officer of any hospital shall not entitle the holder thereof to registration unless a course of at least twenty-five lectures has been delivered in that hospital in each of the three years' residence therein of the holder of the certificate, and unless the matron of the hospital is herself a registered nurse. 25

Certificate and badge of registration.

6. When a nurse is duly registered she shall receive a certificate in the prescribed form, together with a badge bearing her name and the date of registration. 30

Fraudulent registration.

7. Every person who procures herself to be registered under this Act by means of any false or fraudulent representation, or by the production of any false certificate or testimonial, is liable to a penalty of *five* pounds, and her name shall be erased from the register. 35

Registration may be cancelled for misconduct.

8. Any registered nurse who is convicted of any indictable offence, or is proved to be guilty of misconduct, is liable to have her name erased from the register by order of the Governor in Council.

Application of fees, &c.

9. All fees and penalties received under this Act shall be paid into the Public Account and form part of the Consolidated Fund, and all expenses of administering this Act shall be paid out of moneys appropriated by Parliament for that purpose. 40

Appointment of Examiners. Regulations.

10. The Governor may from time to time—

- (1.) Appoint fit persons to be Examiners under this Act, and fix the remuneration of such persons; and 45
- (2.) Make such regulations as are necessary to carry this Act into effect.