

days, and is conducted by registered medical practitioners and registered nurses approved by the Minister of Health. General matters in relation to the conduct of these examinations and to the keeping of the register are administered by the Director of the Division of Nursing—a division comprised in the Department of Health by the Health Act, 1920. The Director is a registered nurse and registered midwife.

2. In accordance with the request contained in the last paragraph of your despatch, I enclose, in triplicate, copies of the following Acts and Regulations:—

- (i.) Nurses Registration Act, 1901 (now obsolete).
- (ii.) Nurses Registration Act, 1908 (the principal Act).
- (iii.) Nurses Registration Amendment Act, 1920.
- (iv.) The Nurses Register of New Zealand, 1922.
- (v.) Regulations under the Nurses Registration Act—gazetted 4th June, 1914.
- (vi.) Regulations under the Nurses Registration Act—gazetted 3rd August, 1916.
- (vii.) Papers and instructions—Examination for registration, December, 1921.

3. My Government understand that the General Nursing Council has laid down as a minimum requirement for a training-school a hospital with 100 beds, a daily average of seventy-five occupied beds, and at least one resident medical officer. Ministers would be glad to know if nurses registered in New Zealand will be admitted to the United Kingdom register when the training has been received in New Zealand hospitals conforming to the above requirements.

4. It is also understood that the General Nursing Council is considering schemes of affiliation of small with larger hospitals to form training-schools. My Ministers desire to point out that Regulation 5 of the regulations gazetted 4th June, 1914, provides for a somewhat similar measure in New Zealand. Although in force for some time, it has to be said that little advantage has been taken of it. My Government would be glad to be informed on what terms nurses trained in New Zealand in hospitals with less than 100 beds and without a resident medical officer may be admitted to the United Kingdom register.

5. Before, however, proceeding with the agreement outlined in paragraph *b* 2) above, the Government of New Zealand would be glad to be informed of the terms on which nurses registered in New Zealand may be admitted to the United Kingdom register.

I have, &c.,

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The Right Hon. Winston S. Churchill, M.P.,  
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 10th June, 1922.

I have the honour to inform you that I duly referred to my Ministers your despatch, No. 36, of the 27th February, on the subject of a resolution passed at a recent meeting of the Board of the Northern Peace League regarding the adoption of English as an auxiliary world language.

2. The opinion of the Minister of Education on the question raised is (*a*) that there is need for the general adoption of an international language, and (*b*) that a living modern language, preferably the English language, would be the most practical and have the greatest prospect of being adopted by most nations as an auxiliary world language to be taught in the schools.

I have, &c.

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