53 H.—31.

Owing to the insufficient amount of clinical experience, the Stratford Hospital was regraded to a "B" grade hospital, and it was left to the Health Department to assist this Board to arrange an affiliation with an "A" grade hospital where the pupil nurses from Stratford could gain the additional

experience necessary.

General Hospital.—Particular attention was given this year to the standardizing of the nursing records in the various training-schools. Certain records have been made compulsory, but, in addition, an endeavour has been made to provide for a more complete system of filing the personal records so that a detailed history of each nurse's experience—both practical and theoretical—is part of the hospitals records.

The following return shows the number sitting for the State Examination and the number passing

for the past four years:—

1		1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.
Number of nurses sitting	 	412	385	448	403
Number of nurses passed		328	272	338	280

The examiners, after each examination, have provided a detailed report covering the examination. Their comments stress the need for more detailed nursing care being emphasized in the teaching of nurses.

