

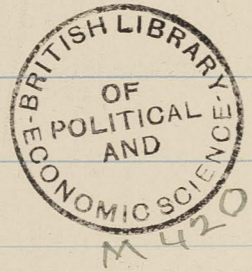
Medicine. Vol. ii.  
Old Sec. 89.



A

B

154



[1]

Medecine. Vol. ii.  
old Sec. 89.

Booth, Life and labours ... 1902-3.

Second Series. Vol. II. Part I.

Chap. IV : (law and) medicine

first book

Interviews  
etc.

[ii] Person or Institution interviewed.	Address	Page	Subject of Interview	[iii]
South Western fever Hospital	Stockwell.	2-14	inter with Dr. Cairns superintendent re fever nurses	
Midwives Inst & trained nurses	12 Buckingham St Strand	18-28	inter with Miss Rosalind Paget. Meson	
Bethnal H. Lunatic <sup>club</sup> Asylum	Cambridge Rd. Bethnal Green	30-42	.. .. Dr. J. K. Will. re male & female lunatic nurses.	
Census 1861-71-81-91	to show increase in nurses	14	Comparison of numbers returned as midwives & Hosp nurses.	
Hamilton Assoc of male nurses	57 Park St Grosvenor Square	44-48	re male nurses.	
W. B. Trick.	66 Queen Elizabeth Walk. N.	50-56	re Store Chemists & training of Chemists & Druggists	

South Western Fever Hospital

Nurses & Salaries

Emoluments

Conditions of acceptance

Drawn from mixed class

Supply not generally equal to demand

May 4<sup>th</sup> 1896.

S.H.D.

Dr. Cairnes: medical superintendent. The South western Fever Hospital. Stockwell. on introduction from Miss Isla Stewart of Barts.

Here class of nurses employed

1. Charge nurses.	£36 rising to £40	must be 25 per cent
Assistant nurses class I.	£24 ..... £28	23
Assistant nurses class II.	£20 --- £24	22

Board, lodging, washing & uniform provided for all

Charge nurses must already have had a 3 yrs training in approved Gen Hosp. or poor law Infirmary.  
Assistant nurses <sup>class I</sup> must have had 1 yrs training.  
Class II. need not have any certificate of training.

Fever nurses come from mixed class as in all hospitals & throughout nursing profession.  
In social type status Barts best.

Supply here is practically equal to the demand: it is the best of the fever hospitals: the rest have

Friends object to fever nursing

Fever in order of merit

Disappearance of typhus.

Charge nurses take the place of sisters.

Has never seen a nurse with a university education

Have to advertise for nurses.

It is not the nurses but the friends of nurses who won't let them come.

Some catch small-pox: but some catch the other fevers of which the most catching is the scarlet fever.

Typhus: Enteric: scarlet: Diphtheria: (in order of merit)  
<sup>4</sup> absolute <sup>3</sup> triple <sup>1</sup> of best <sup>2</sup> sanitation in respect of typhus: have had only 6 cases in the last cases 4 or 5 years: 12 to 15 yrs ago they had two blocks always full of it.

In 7 hospitals 1894. only 6 cases of typhus admitted.  
5 — 3

Charge nurses. must have had 3 yrs Gen training or 1 yrs Gen training & 2 yrs as 1<sup>st</sup> class nurses.

There are no sisters: charge nurses are not quite sisters but they are the nearest approach to it.

Charge nurse is on the average not so much of a lady or so well educated as a sister.

Have a good many ladies.

Many hospitals want to take nurses from other places.

"Has never seen a nurse with a university education"  
they

Hours on duty.

Weekly leave is all taken at once.

Church leave.

Monotonous work.

mostly become doctors. They are not satisfied with being nurses.

Day nurse 7 AM. to 8 P.M.  
Breakfast 6.30. 7 AM to 10 wards.  
10 - to 10.30. lunch & titivation.  
10.30 - 12.30 wards  
12.30 - 1.15 Dinner for assistant nurses  
1.15 - 2 - - - charge nurses  
1.15 or 2 till 4 or 4.30 - in wards.  
~~4.30~~ 4.30 + 5 - in wards after tea.  
5 - 8 wards. charge nurses.  
4.30 - 8 - assistants.

Leave 12 hrs per wk. : generally taken here as one complete day off. nurses like it but it is against the spirit of nursing regulation between 8-10 each nurse is allowed out.

Church pass given on Sunday <sup>2 hrs</sup> - don't always go both tho they are not supposed to have it unless they do.

Holidays as on printed paper given.  
More monotonous work than in a few hosp but is not such a severe <sup>physical</sup> strain. : here there is not the number of physician students & friend to  
live



## Hospital ailments

Nurses will have their tea

Night work.

Savouries as night food.

life: it is more mentally enervating but not so much so physically as in a few hops:

Anemia. Dyspepsia. Sore throat - certain amount of flat foot but not so much, it is more a disease of the hospital.

No rule as to nurses sitting out dinner: but they do usually come out all in a batch, go to their rooms in groups to have tea - you may rail against it but you want prevent a nurse from having her tea after all it is not so bad if it does not stand.

Nurses responsible to matron who is responsible to Dr. Cairns Night work.

8 PM to 8 AM. being on the last hour with the day nurse.

have breakfast before 8 PM.

have square meal here when they come off duty.

during night they have roll, butter, kipper, sausage. What people like something esp during in the night.

Wards vary from 12 beds to 18. + ward staff for

Size of wards.

Ward staff.

Nurses don't take infection home.

Scarlet fever. 18 beds has

1 charge nurse

1 assistant to Class I or II. } by day &

1 ward servant. } by night

If there are more than 18 beds, then

there is one more assistant nurse.

1 charge nurse  
or 1 assistant.

Enteric & Diphtheria with 12 beds.

1 charge nurse. to 2 ward of 12 beds

with 2 or 3 assistants.

Day.

1 charge nurse to double ward as above.

& 1 or 2 assistants

Night

Supernumerary assistant nurses for relieving duty  
(whether <sup>for when</sup> others are away or ill or as extra  
when the ward is heavy).

Don't send out my nurses to infectious cases.

Has only known one case where it was ever suggested that  
a fever nurse had taken infection home by  
her weekly leave off. Have all to change under-  
clothy etc.

Some hospitals are working in with the Fever hoops.  
Generally, send down for 6 in the tray.

Sufficient actual food and but  
insufficient variety

One nurse to 4 beds.

Nurses prospects

Thinks that sufficient food is allowed but there is insufficient variety. The average matron is quite insufficient to look properly after the kitchen: in this respect he has some sympathy with the complaints of nurses.  
2 charge nurses to each ward. <sup>matrons are table</sup> 20 wards.  
will have 22/.

There are only 15 charges now in the 20 wards.  
which means 30 charge nurses. + 2 on relieving duty.  
1st class assistants.

about one nurse to 4 <sup>beds</sup> patients.

322 beds open now with 80 nurses.

An assistant <sup>fever</sup> nurse leaves for 1 of 3 things either for general training or to pick up nursing or for another fever hospital (on the principle of changes) as a rule nurses don't shift much, it is not encouraged. But leave for private nursing is not yet engaged.

Admit nurses paper in order to get as many as they want so they  
begin

No charge for being cured  
at a fever hospital.

Nurses as adventuresses.

Asylum nurses.

here & then go on to another hospital.

Since notification came in (1889) year is the full all yr round.

Charge no maintenance - everything is charged to the rate the supporter being that he a patient is isolated for the good not of himself than but of his neighbours. The convalescent homes now shew the seasons more than the hospitals because the hospitals can only hold the minimum.

He has been in hospitals for nearly 20 yrs. & says many take up nursing rather in the hope of improving their social position & marrying a doctor than for love of nursing itself. He married a nurse but ~~he~~ had exceptional luck in marrying a good one. As a rule the nurse is older than the doctor. A great many of his friends married nurses & now wish they had not. There is of necessity so much mutual understanding between a nurse & a doctor in the presence of a patient that it is sometimes mistaken for love.

Spoke disparagingly of asylum nurses: begin too young: get hardened by the life.

Decennial tables to show  
Increase of nurses 1861-1891

N. B. The headings under which nurses are scheduled vary with the different years eg. in 1881 they were counted to subordinate medical service.

Taken from the Census volumes for  
 1861. 1871. 1881. 1891.  
Females only.

vol.	page 18.	mid wife.	190 <sup>f</sup>	1861
		Hosp. attendant	895 <sup>f</sup>	
		Nurse (not domestic)	7619	
			<u>8,704</u>	

	page 18.	mid wife	265 <sup>f</sup>	1871
		Nurse (not dom)	8644	
			<u>8,909</u>	

vol iii	page 12	mid wife.	307 <sup>f</sup>	1881
		Subordinate med service	10176	
			<u>10,483</u>	

vol iii	page 9.	Sick nurse, midwife etc	14,559 <sup>f</sup>	1891
		Sub. med service.	265 <sup>f</sup>	
			<u>14,662</u>	

Midwives institute and  
trained nurses club.

Nurses drawn from nursery governesses

are not as a rule ladies but the  
outcome of levelling up & levelling  
down systems of present day.

Hospital Nurses are not  
clubbable

May 8<sup>th</sup> 1896.

G.H.D

The Midwives Institute & Trained Nurses Club.  
Miss Rosalind Paget. Treasurer, & one of the  
founders. 12 Buckingham Street Strand

Object: to register midwives by law.

Members are all midwives - Associates are  
trained nurses or connected with nursing.  
Miss Paget has a 20 years experience in nursing.  
Trained nurses are drawn from the same class  
as nursery governesses, upper servants &  
shopgirls & so called 'gentlewomen' a nondes-  
cript class. Gentlewomen are not ladies  
they are the result of the levelling up & the  
levelling down process that has been going on  
for the last 100 years. Often daughters of small  
professional classes.

Hospital nurses are not readily clubbable: they  
~~are~~ never look beyond their own hospital or  
this week. tho' the pension fund is making  
them save more than they have ever done  
to

A discontented race.

An easy life as trades go.

Minimum of rest & holiday required

Tendency now to lighten hours of  
nurses at the expense of sisters.

Experiment of preliminary training  
at London Hospital.

before. They are discontented race & not discontented  
in the right way -

'As trades go it is an exceedingly easy industry.'  
There has been a vast improvement in the food  
& life of nurses as compared with that of  
domestic servants or of women employed in shops  
during the last 10 yrs. Here & there may be exceptions  
but London is good almost without exceptions.

Two hours per day & one day once a month and 3  
weeks complete holiday is the absolute minimum  
that any nurse ought to have. We prefer to  
see two days off per month. This would be  
better than triple shifts.

Everything is done now to lighten the probationer's  
nurse, the greater responsibility that is put  
on the sisters who have to use their brain more  
& more with every additional complication on  
those who suffer in reality.

She has been watching the experiment of a preliminary  
two months training at the London Hospital  
but thinks that not fewer than before, break  
down from overwork when they go in to  
the Hospital.

Prospects of nurses.

Preference given to ladies

Degeneration caused by  
Private nurses.

Masochism

Nurses become	Private nurses	} lower ranks
	District	
	Staff	
	Sisters	} higher ..
	Matron	
	Superintendent	

Ladies contently go District nursing but not so often to Private nursing.

Private nurses 'are lady like but not ladies'

All are equals one in a hospital & have to rise by their own jumpion.

'Ladies' distinctly & emphatically better than the 'lady like' as hospital sisters.

Nurses ought to belong to the Nursing Home of their hospital. holidays sickness, weekly home provided for. Nurses degenerate very much when by themselves & out private nursing.

A good many private institutions pay a percentage on earnings gen 10% but not many hospitals except large.

Masochism are not the morbid horrors people have stated. But a vigilant man who came to this inst said that there was a considerable  
no



Pay of rubbers.

Monthly nurses.

Midwives

no. of persons who carry on immoral trades and  
cause of massage establishments.

Pay of masseuse is an average 5/- a visit.

Some get 2/6 + some 10/6 but the average will be  
5/- to 7/6 per hour.

Great many nurses are masseuses. Miss [?]  
herself is one & a good many are worthy etc.

There is a Soc of trained masseuses & has its head-  
quarters here. No standard for massage &  
it is diff to know whether a person is properly  
trained out.

Know one masseuse 15<sup>h</sup> rate practice earned over  
£300 last yr.

Ordinarily a masseuse wd make more than  
a nurse.

A nurse who nurses only charges £2.2.0  
per week & wd get another £1.1.0 if massage  
was expected as well.

Monthly nurses are the best paid of all nurses.

Those who make the highest sums are generally  
midwives but are not by any means always  
trained Hospital nurses.

Midwives are ordinarily trained for 3 months

Mr P. objects to time being taken as a test of training.

LOS demands 20 cases of delivery - same for men & women.

District nursing requires much more general responsibility.

Midwife in poor district gets 4/6 to 10/6.

In a rich district, doctors are employed.

There is a small class of work amongst tradesmen who pay a guinea - doctors oppose this.

A midwife cannot do more than 200 <sup>to 300</sup> cases a year, actually herself.

In a ~~poor~~ small district in the country the midwife is often the district nurse.

Monthly nurses paid for 1 guinea or 10/- to 5 or 6 guineas.

A good nurse (monthly) should be got for 8 to 10 guineas. The more expensive are generally luxuries.

Hospital nurses look down a little on monthly nurses.

Wet nurses have gone out of custom. Now you can buy children up by hand; respectable

Midwives in poor districts

Wet nurses.

mothers have an intense objection to unmarried  
mothers suckling their children - It always mean  
that the child of the wet nurse must be  
faced out. Humanised milk etc has obviated  
law almost completely.

In asylums quite young girls are taken as <sup>nurses</sup> ~~top~~  
they find it answers because of their fresh  
older nurses grow tired of it. They have a bad  
name but unreasonably so Miss P thinks.

The Guards Hospital is nursed by army nurses - Is a  
well part of the profession but nurses don't  
think much of it except in time of war.  
They have male orderlies under them who don't  
obey them

There are plenty women dispensers at the women  
Hospital in the Roston Rd

Work

Miss Wilson of the Workhouse trained Nurses  
inst. of Adam St. Shd be seen.

Fewer nurses are looked down on, come much more  
under the Poor law - are not well managed  
at the asylums B<sup>d</sup> hospital - It is a very  
unattractive form of work.

Asylum nurses.

Women dispensers.

Bethnal H<sup>o</sup> Asylum for private patients and paupers.

The Houses in London licensed for the reception of Lunatics

The larger houses don't have to advertise for nurses.

May 12<sup>th</sup>

G.H.D

D. J.R. Will. Superintendent of Bethnal H<sup>o</sup> Lunatic Asylum  
Bethnal Green. on an introd<sup>n</sup> fr. D. Caird.

The London licensed Houses are. These are all private reg-  
Bethnal H<sup>o</sup>. - lams.

Peckham.

Hoxton.

Camberwell.

Grove Hall. Row.

Northumberland H<sup>o</sup>.

Brooke H<sup>o</sup>.

Otto H<sup>o</sup>.

& a few more <sup>all</sup> called Metropolitan. licensed  
Houses the some are not in Met. district.  
vid report of. Commissioners in Lunacy.  
1893. 47<sup>th</sup>

Bethnal.

Grove.

Hoxton

Peckham

} take in both. private &  
pauper patients. The others  
of take in private patient

In the bigger Houses they have quite suff. no. of  
applications from outside to fill up nurses  
son

Prefer nurses without previous experience.

Upper housemaid & dressmakers.

Ward staff

Increase in London of lunatics  
is 500 a year.

from the County asylums & some from girls who are friends already here.

Prefer to take young nurses between 21 & 24 without previous experience & train them.

Come from better class housemaid type. Very few ladies go in for asylum nursing etc in the very best inst: where they usually call themselves 'lady companions'.

Some dressmakers apply - some have been nursery governesses.

Each ward is in charge of

1. charge nurse.  
1 assistant nurse. } 14 beds.

1 charge nurse.  
3 or 4 assist-nurses } 40 bed.

About 300 beds here; practically always full.

Such pressure now that they could take twice as many if there was room.

The increase in lunacy for London is 500 a year. The occasional cases of lunacy do not increase <sup>more than</sup> in proportion to the pop. tho' the actual numbers in institutions increase because asylums are better managed than they used to be.

be friends are not so chary of sending them as they were.

A few Workhouses have special accommodation for lunatics but not so many as used to.

They have 25 female nurses here. } nurses here.  
19 male nurses }  
+ head male attendant  
+ Matron.

Of the 25, seven are charge nurses and 3 night attendants.

At night there are nurses asleep in locality & one who has to patrol every hour, & touch a tell tale clock to show she has been round (this is universal in all asylums).

Summer hours. begin at 6. & winter at 6.30.

The breakfast is at 8.

Patients breakfast at 7.

Lunches for nurses. 11.30.

patients. 1. (only those who work have lunch).

Dinner for patients. 1. nurses. 1.30 & 2. (allowed 1/2 hr)

Nurses on duty again until 8. PM.

Nursing staff

Tell tale clocks in Asylum.

Hours of duty

Leave out

36  
Every second night nurses may go out for 8-10 PM.

walking parties of patients go out with a certain number of nurses every day. So they are a good deal in the open air.

Every week they have a  $\frac{1}{2}$  day from 2-10 PM.  
Every month — a whole day from 10.30 AM for females — males take the whole day for any hour.

Once a quarter they are allowed late leave (go to the theatre etc from 5.30 to 12).

These rules for leave apply to males as well as females.

They have a fortnight's leave per year for all whether charge or assistant nurses.

Charge nurses are paid ~~£20~~ to begin

All junior nurses begin at £20 per yr + £1 a year increasing to £50.  
As soon as made charge nurses they get £2 immediately & then £1 per yr as before stopping at £50 so that junior nurses & charge nurses might be in receipt of £50 this none are because all

Holidays

Salaries.

Night nurses.

Salaries of males.

Allowance in lieu of beer.

Better class of nurses than formerly.

Lady & pauper maniacs equally forcible in their language.

Good temper & strength requisite

Men from Army Service Corps

all Juniors w<sup>d</sup>. be made charge nurses before the Night nurses get £ extra as soon as appointed.

Night nurses here always remain night nurses & are drawn from junior nurses.

Males nurses begin at £30 & rise to £40

In the refractory ward a man w<sup>d</sup>. not get less than £35.

All female attendants get £2 12 per yr. in lieu of beer. by this all the beer drinkers have been eliminated

Have a much better class of nurses than they used to.

The medico psychological Assoc issues a certificate after exam. to those who have had 2 yrs. training.

Nurses have b<sup>t</sup> accustomed to language of all sorts

'The curious thing is that lady maniacs use every bit as filthy language as the pauper, you wonder where in the world they have come across the words.'

Good temper & strength are the qualities of a nurse.

A good many of the men come from asylums in the County. A fair number are discharged army men & come from the Army Service Corps.



Charge nurses are practically  
fixtures. others shift about.

Age of male nurses

Healthy work

Disagreeables of Asylum nursing

A good many stay a considerable time.

Charge nurses or a few juniors stay on a long time while the young ones move about a good deal more. The oldest-charge nurse has been here 16 yrs & the next 13 - the 3 next 9 - next 2 or 3 years

Men. 1 - came in 1859 - another in 1869 - in 1880 - 86 - 92. There is no superannuation fund here at all. Tho they keep one or two old men on who are practically useless.

In Comf. Asylum (Ar. dau.) male assistants, begin at ~~20~~ 21 without beer allowance.

Males come at 25 or 26. & run up to 36, 50 etc. The charge males wd be bet. 35 to 65. Males get no beer but £2.12.

There is also a band & those males & females who play in it get an extra £2.12.0. See Annual report of Asylum Committee of the County of London published yearly.

Healthy work & don't suffer from anemia as in Hospitals exc those in the infirmary attached to the ~~House~~ Bethnal St.

Language. Dirty habits - noise - groundless complaints or what

Institutions preferred to private nursing because of amusements

Difficulty of having male & female nurses

Hospital nurses rarely taken on.

what nurses suffer from. Some go out to private nursing but they like institutions better: there is a weekly dance & concerts. Attendants & patients & nurses all dance together.

In towns there is not much fear of improprieties between male & female attendants. In country places there is sometimes complaint. In city asylums it is always a difficulty.

Some nurses go to the Nurses' Co-operation for. Some join the Royal Lat Pension fund.

The system of giving mental nurses lectures & training is increasing the self respect of asylum nurses, undoubtedly.

Don't suffer from flat foot.

Hospital nurses very rarely come on. Their training is of little use in mental cases.

Hamilton Assoc of trained nurses

Drawn from medical staff corps

All over 28 years of age

All live out

Average earnings

May 12<sup>th</sup>

G. H. D

Hamilton Assoc of trained male nurses: 30 to 50 nurses.  
interview with Secretary: 57 Park St. Greenway Bldg.  
used in heavy cases: paralysis.

Drawn from Non Comm. of medical staff corps.  
Some are on reserve list & have served 7 yrs other  
12 others 21.

Age of all ages over 28. Don't care for any younger.  
Some also have occupied naval position - 'Sick  
Bay' stewards.

Perhaps 6 who have led Informing & asylum training  
sufficient to satisfy the Committee.

One or 2 trained nurses for National Hosp for Epileptics  
General Hospital, won't train men.

All nurses live out: some are married & live out.  
A nurse averages \$70 to \$80 per year.

\$34 \$41. \$60. \$55 - earnings for 6 months.

The Assoc takes for 15% to 20% of the nurses earnings.  
No uniform.

The steady ones go on until they have saved money & then  
set up business on their own account. Have had complaint

Drink + difficulty of making  
nurses patients complain

Charges

The Gamps of the male nurse  
in industry

Gentlemen esp clerics don't  
succeed as male nurses.

Many marry nurses.

Drinks have got rid of many on this account. Their difficulty lies  
in getting <sup>complaint</sup> ~~rid~~ of the nurse made by patients.  
Overcharges have also been stamped out. But patients  
friends won't recognize their responsibility in paying charges.  
Hours depend of the nature of case.

Charges are between £2.2.0 + £4.4.0  
Ordinary charge is between £2.10. + £3.3  
Infectious fever. £3.3.0.

Patients often lie in order to get a nurse cheaper.

The fee generally depends on the disease.

The male attendants hanging about pubs + engaged thence by  
nursing inst. are now being put out. They are the 'Gamps'  
of the trade.

Great increase in the officious of nursing all round.

Some gentlemen esp. clergy <sup>by the</sup> take up nursing: but  
they will have failed at other things & do not  
succeed as nurses.

Many of the sisters wives of <sup>male</sup> nurses are themselves nurses.  
Some go on to the <sup>high</sup> level app't of master director  
of workhouses.

Some doctors have a prejudice against male nurses exc for  
ex insane cases.

Most of the female institutes have some men attached to them

Subjects of the founder of  
the Institution

Hospitals refuse to train  
male nurses.

Offered to supply male nurses  
to infirmaries free.

man may belong to 2 institutions

The Soc was founded by Miss Jane Hamilton.

Idea was to train men & then set up centres from  
which they could be sent out.

There was no idea of it being run financially.

However Hospitals (matrons) refused to train men  
so there was an end to it.

Now either Soc just pays it way.

There is a nurses sick fund to which the  
men give nothing.

There is a fund for nursing the sick poor. They sent  
round to infirmaries offered to supply male nurses  
free; but only one accepted.

Miss Hamilton wanted to have a male district  
nurses association.

May 18<sup>th</sup>.

G.H.D.

W. B. Trick.

Inchiquin Lodge.

66. Queen Elizabeth's Walk. W.

Director of the largest of the syndicates ~~for~~ of  
store chemists in London.

30 years a working chemist with a shop of his  
own.

25 years at work + 5 years appship.

Few fathers comparatively allow their sons to follow  
them because the net profit is now very small  
& so does not justify him doing so.

They draw apps chiefly from successful shop-  
keepers in other other trades & from agricul-  
-turalists. Great numbers are sons of farmers.  
With all of these it is a step in the social ladder.

The bulk of apps are received <sup>from 16 or 17 apps</sup> with premium vary  
val £40 to £90 depending on the class of shop  
& class of district.

In first class business an app. gets nothing doing  
his 3<sup>rd</sup> service. Everyone must have seen

to 4/6  
 3/6 before they come up for their exam.  
 Second class houses will sometimes take apps for  
 nothing if the parent of the boy will provide  
 him with food & raiment during the period of  
 appship - For the 1/90 premium he Dick recd,  
 food washing was provided - when premium  
 is paid food washing is given.

After ~~exam~~ & before exam he always serves 1 or 2  
 yrs sometimes 3 or 4 as junior assistant  
 At the age of 21 he goes up for his 'minor' exam  
 There is a prelim exam (Coll of preceptors) per  
 taken immediately after leaving school.

Before exam boy per goes to Pharmaceutical Soc for  
 lectures tho then as other colleges now when  
 the fees for study are not so high. (at Mater of  
 Kennington - the fees being 12 to 15/6 the session?)

A junior assistant indoor <sup>(unqualified)</sup> receives £30 to £40  
 after he passes his exam he gets immediately  
 a rise of about £10 & becomes a junior  
 qualified man at £40 to £50

junior outdoor assistants receive from 25/6 to 30/6 per wk to  
~~30/6~~ & qualified juniors <sup>(at home)</sup> from 30/6 to 35/6 (if good)

Senior assistants may be 'major' or 'minor' men  
to call yourself Pharmaceutical Chemist  
you must be a 'major' man. in point of  
Salary the major man commands a little  
more than the minor: often they are considered  
to be less good business men

40/- is the usual price for qualified senior  
assistants (outdoors). 45/- 50/- or 60/- if indoors  
managers <sup>get</sup> 40/- to 50/- or 60/- some time  
have rooms above the depot.

Major men don't have a greater chance of be-  
coming managers. They <sup>often</sup> command 5/- per  
week more than minor men but by no  
means always

Position & payment of chemists & assistants has  
very improved. Salaries in last 25 yrs  
have increased at least 1/3<sup>rd</sup>. The men at  
the same time owing to the strict exam. are  
much more efficient.

In 'advice & medicine b. or i.' dispensaries, unless - per-  
by drink - assistants w. be employed. at 25/-  
because.

Long Hours. The usual hours in London are  
from



8-8 in first class businesses in city & West End.  
for 6 days. Alternate duty in a large staff  
on Sundays.

The secondary chemists wd be open to serve  
medicine in morning & from 6-9 in the evening.

This hour for second class chemist an

56

HE 1053 (42)

Franko (Dr. Temple)

one evening  
PM. & a  
is usual.

History of traffic legislation:

and parliamentary action in  
connection with railways & smaller chemists

Railway News 1907

see

South (S.H.)

to

Railway Information

Vol. VIII

pp. 125. nec.

taking up dispensing

The average turn over of chemists in U.K. is  
£1/2 per wk. of which not nearly half  
wd be profit.

8-8 in first-class businesses in city & West End.  
for 6 days. alternate duty in a large staff  
on Sundays.

The second class chemists wd be open to serve  
medicine in morning & from 6-9 in the evening.  
Working hours for second class chemists are  
from 8-6 or 9 or 10 P.M.

Principal rule for assistants is to have one evening  
per week for relaxation from 6 P.M. & a  
fortnightly holiday in the year is usual.

The poorer the district the longer the hours.  
For chemists are crushing out the smaller chemists  
Grocers & drapers are all taking up dispensing  
but all employ qualified men.

The average turn over of chemists in A.K. is  
£1/2 per wk. of which not nearly half  
wd be profit.

Hand Series  
Vol. IV. Part I.  
Chap. IV: (Law and  
medicine)  
Second book

