

NURSING ECHOES.

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HER Royal Highness Princess Christian presided at the meeting of the Committee of the Nurses' Home of Rest, on Tuesday,



at the meeting of the Committee of the Nurses' Home of Rest, on Tuesday, the 10th inst., at 79, Harley Street—the house of Lady Jeune. The hon. sec. (Mrs. Bedford Fenwick) read a most encouraging report of the six months' work, one hundred and fifteen Nurses having spent their holidays at Brighton during that period, and many appreciative letters having been received.

LAST week Mr. H. McCalmont, of Cheveley Park, Newmarket, kindly sent fifty pheasants and ten hares to the Home, as a gift to the Nurses. I hear that a few dozens of really good port wine would be found a most useful gift, as so many of the Nurses who have been in the Home were found to be much out of health, and the Visiting Physician has had to order wine for several of them.

TO-DAY the appointment of the Lady Superintendent to the Royal Free Hospital takes place. There have, I hear, been a great number of applications, Sisters from nearly all the large London Hospitals being amongst the candidates. I am told that the late Lady Superintendent, Miss Barton, will be married early in December to Captain Ludlow, of Southsea.

MRS. THERESA JOHNSTON, whose name will be remembered in association with the work of Father Damien at Molokai, has gone to Cape Town for the purpose of devoting the remainder of her life to the service of the lepers on Robben Island. Mrs. Johnston was, I believe, trained at St. Thomas's Hospital.

THE Emir of Bokhara has had several consultations of late with Russian medical men concerning the prevalence of leprosy in his dominions, and especially in the north-eastern quarter of the town of Bokhara, called Gonzari Pissiane, which spot may indeed be considered as the

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hot-bed of leprosy in Central Asia. The lepers are allowed to lead an independent life in this quarter; they are allowed to contract marriages; and no supervision, whether medical or otherwise, is exercised over them. It has resulted from the advice tendered him at these consultations that the Emir has decided upon the foundation of a special Hospital for the lepers, at which they will be treated by specialists for their malady. The Emir intends furthermore to order the complete segregation of the lepers, in order to prevent the propagation of the disease.

THE following promotions have been made in the Indian Nursing Service, by order of the Commander-in-Chief—to be Lady Superintendent, Miss Betty; to be Acting Superintendents, Misses S. Harris, Latch, Beresford, Moore, Hislop (*vice* Welchman, resigned). Miss Betty was trained at St. Bartholomew's, and was Sister of Sitwell Ward for several years.

MISS YEOMANS, who was trained in the Liverpool Fever Hospital, Grafton Street, has been appointed Matron of the Birkenhead Fever Hospital, in place of Miss Sidné Reid, who recently resigned.

H. E. LADY HARRIS has consented to become the first patron of the Mofussil Nursing Association, which is being formed in India to provide private Nurses for sick Europeans. The scheme has been originated by Mr. W. Lee-Warner, C.S. The Sisters of the Pauch Howds Mission will have the control of the Nurses, and will receive Rs.1000 for each Nurse they supply, until such time as the association can obtain six Nurses. Subscribers to the association will have to pay Rs.5 a year as subscription. Every European will be invited to become a subscriber.

MR. FRED. RYLAND, of Messrs. Kenricks' firm, is trying an experiment amongst his workpeople at West Bromwich, which, it is hoped, may be taken up by other manufacturers in the district. The firm have offered £80 for one year for a district Nurse, who is to confine her services to the men and women employed in the works, and to the men's wives and families. Fortunately, the services of two highly qualified ladies, Miss Bunting and her friend Miss Browning, have been secured for this salary; and, should their work be appreciated by the workpeople, of whom there are 2,000, the firm hopes that the scheme may be made self-supporting amongst them.

AT a special court of the Governors, convened at St. Bartholomew's Hospital on Thursday last,

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