

For these lectures the Training School is indebted to many of the most prominent members of the medical profession in the City, who, notwithstanding their arduous labours and numerous engagements, have always most cheerfully given their valuable services as Lecturers and Examiners. The lectures given were on Dermatology, by Dr. J. E. Graham; two on the Eye and Ear, by Dr. R. A. Reeve; two on Gynæcology, by Dr. Algernon Temple; four on Obstetrics, by Dr. A. H. Wright; four on Contagious Diseases, by Dr. Allen Bains; one on Hygiene, by Dr. Spencer; four on Surgery and Surgical Appliances, by Dr. G. A. Peters; five on Surgery, by Dr. A. Primrose; one on the Nose and Throat by Dr. McDonagh; three on Medical Nursing, by Dr. Alex. McPhidren, and, on the same subject, four by Dr. Bingham and one by Dr. R. B. Niortt. In addition to these, five lectures on medical subjects were given during the month of July by members of the House Staff.

During the year, 647 applications have been received—out of this number, 53 were admitted on probation, 22 of whom proved suitable, and were appointed pupil nurses—four were dropped from the school roll. There are 50 pupil nurses and 4 graduates in the School, and a class of 21 graduates. Our graduates are fast becoming a strong band—202 have already completed the required course, and have entered upon their work either as Nurses in private families, Lady Superintendents or Head Nurses in Hospitals, or Foreign Missionaries.

During the past year the following appointments have been made, six as Lady Superintendents or Matrons of Hospitals:—Miss E. McKenzie, Owen Sound Hospital; Miss A. Boyd, Masonic Hospital, Morden, Mass.; Miss E. Thorne, Sudbury Hospital; Miss S. Snyder, City Hospital, Albany, N.Y.; Miss E. Jones, John Wood's Memorial Hospital, New Brunswick, N.Y.; Miss H. Armytage, Children's Hospital, Ottawa. As Head Nurses, eight:—Miss J. Scott, Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal; Miss A. Bartle, Winoria, Minn.; Miss R. E. Jackson, Home for Incurables, London; Miss A. J. Scott, Pavilion General Hospital, Toronto; Miss N. Hilling, Miss H. Migill and Miss M. Sneath, Children's Hospital, Ottawa; Miss B. Gregory, General Hospital, Toronto. Miss Batty left in September last for the C.I. Mission, China. This makes the sixth, who has chosen to work in the foreign field—four are already in China, one in India, and one in Africa.

The authorities record with pleasure an act of self-sacrifice and heroism performed by one of the graduates during the past year. In response to a call for help, she went to the relief of a family suffering from small-pox. One after another the whole family—five in number—were stricken with this loathsome disease. Alone and unaided this Nurse remained at her post, doing not only the nursing but all the work, unable at times to obtain either food or rest, surrounded by sickness and death, and with absolutely no one to whom she could appeal for help. To her praise be it said, she was faithful to her trust.

It is pleasant to know that so many extend a kindly interest to our School, and endeavour to evince it in a practical way.

On the 28th of December last, a very pleasant evening was spent in the "Home" parlour, due largely to the kindness of numerous friends, who, through Mrs.

R. B. Hamilton, extended Christmas Cheer to the Nurses. Another friend, Mrs. W. N. Anderson Algin, has presented five dollars for the Library; and still another, a case containing Shakespeare's complete works.

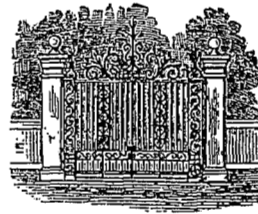
Before closing this report, the Authorities desire gratefully to record the fact that, during the last two years, not one case of serious illness had occurred in the School. They also desire to return thanks to the Lecturers, Examiners, House Staff, and numerous friends for their kindness, co-operation and courtesy, and for the valuable assistance they have rendered the School.

(Signed) MARY A. SNIVELY,
Superintendent, Training School.

— Outside the Gates. —

WOMEN.

MACREADY HOUSE.



Father Christmas is upon us once again. His genial spirit fills the air. We see signs of his presence in every shop window. We pass up the street and observe him in the midst of a bevy of children keeping perfect step, thanks to Mr. Augustus Harris, to the tune of the barrel organ. The music stops; and the children pass on. But this kindly weather-beaten old man accompanies them, and they together pass through the stage door. In honour of his coming, the pantomimes and theatres will be packed. To do him honour, ogres, dwarfs, brownies, fairies, elves, giants, witches have sprung into being. To do his service, actors and actresses from all parts of the provinces have swarmed back to London to be ready in their place on Bank Holiday. Yes, Father Christmas, genial and kindly as he always is, never fails to make demands in all directions upon the energies of his devotees.

But let us follow that group of girls, flushed from afternoon rehearsal, who are making their way through Covent Garden, and along Henrietta Street, till they disappear within the doors of Macready House. With pardonable curiosity we follow, and soon learn, whilst sitting at one of the tables in the dining room, more about Macready House and its Mission to the Stage. The room is full of chattering, lively groups, many of whom have perchance not met for months. But the Christmas season is for them always a time of reunion.

How did the Club come to be started? Eighteen years ago there was thrown across the path of the Rev. Courthope Todd, an actress. Perhaps she had run away from home, perhaps she was ill, perhaps her manager had behaved brutally to her. Whatever her trouble may have been, it opened this gentleman's eyes to the need of outside sympathy and fellowship being extended to those whose work it is to amuse others. He then engaged a club room in a street close by. The work grew and grew till even the whole house could not accommodate them. And they were

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