

Nursing Echoes.

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A MEETING of the Committee of the Registered Nurses' Society was held on Tuesday, April 2nd, at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, Mr. Fardon, Medical Superintendent of Middlesex Hospital, in the chair, when a very satisfactory report of the past month's work and receipts was presented; all the Nurses having been kept in constant work. One new

member was appointed upon probation.

Miss Miriam Ridley, Lady Superintendent of the Hospital for Paralysis and Epilepsy, Portland Terrace, Regent's Park, was elected to a seat on the Committee, and we feel sure that her help and advice will be of the greatest use to the Society. Miss Ridley has been one of the most conscientious workers on the governing body of the Royal British Nurses' Association, and will doubtless bring the same enthusiasm and devotion to duty to the aid of the Registered Nurses' Society.

THE Quarterly Meeting of the Committee of the Nurses' Home of Rest at Brighton, took place at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2nd, at 79, Harley Street, the house of Lady Jeune, when the report for 1894 was presented by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, the Hon. Secretary, and was unanimously adopted:—

“In submitting its fourth annual report to its subscribers the Committee has much pleasure in drawing attention to the increasing success and usefulness of the Home of Rest at Brighton. During 1894 there were 241 Nurses and visitors admitted. On the average each one stayed in the Home for fifteen and a half days, and throughout the whole twelve months there were on the average nearly ten always resident in the house. The Committee has to acknowledge its very great indebtedness to Her Royal Highness Princess Christian, the President, to Mrs. Beer and to Mrs. Lionel Lucas. Mrs. Beer most kindly gave a concert at her house, in aid of the funds of the Home, and paid all the incidental expenses, handing to the Committee a cheque for £50 as the proceeds of the Entertainment; and Mrs. Lionel Lucas has continued to give the generous assistance which she has from its inception accorded to the Home.

It will however, be observed that considerably increased assistance in the shape of annual subscriptions and donations is much required. The payments which Nurses can afford to make have been, as they probably always will be, insufficient to cover the entire expenses. The Committee therefore very earnestly appeal for further donations and annual subscriptions to make up the necessary deficiency.

The Committee, as in former years, desire to express its thanks to Mrs. McIntyre, the matron of the Home, for the excellent manner in which she has superintended the domestic management, and provided for the comfort and happiness of the Nurses under her care, and to Mr. Reginald Jowers, F.R.C.S., for the kindness and attention which he has bestowed upon the Nurses who have been ill when staying at the Home.”

The Home is most popular amongst those Nurses who have visited it (886), and it is hoped that in future all will combine to place it upon a sound financial footing. An income of £300 a year beyond the Nurses' payments is needed to keep it up to its present standard of comfort and efficiency.

Amongst the donations it was announced that a cheque for £20 had been received from Miss Daisy Robins as the proceeds of the entertainment which she had kindly organised for the benefit of the funds of the Home. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Miss Robins for her valuable assistance.

LITTLE Echoes have reached us from far and near of the increased value of the services of trained Nurses in all branches of their work, and no Annual Meeting of Governors, or issue of an Annual Report, seems complete now without mention of this important branch of public work.

FROM Newcastle we learn that the Nurses' Home in Granville Road is in much local favour. The Annual Report amongst other things stated that excellent accounts had been received of the efficient Nursing and good conduct of the staff. The Nurses had not been so constantly employed as in 1893, owing to the fact that 1894 had been a healthy year. There was therefore a slight decrease in the income. Yet the committee had been able to divide amongst the staff £280 as bonus money. The committee had arranged to give a medal to each Nurse who had been in the service of the Home for six years. Eleven of these medals had been awarded, and they had been highly

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