

## The League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses.

A MOST enjoyable evening was spent on Wednesday, May 2nd, by the Members of the League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses, who assembled in force, in response to the kind invitation of Mrs. Howard Marsh, Vice-President, to an "At Home" at 30, Bruton Street, Berkeley Square. Amongst those present were Miss Isla Stewart, Matron of St. Bartholomew's Hospital



and President of the League; Mrs. Walter Spencer (formerly Sister Stanley), Hon. Secretary; Mrs. Lancelot Andrews (formerly Sister John), Hon. Treasurer; Miss Dora Finch, Matron of the New Hospital for Women, Euston Road; Miss Elma Smith, Matron of the New Infirmary, Hendon; Miss Rumboll, Matron of the St. Bartholomew's Convalescent Home, Swanley; Miss Amy Lang, Superintendent of Nursing, the Infirmary, Hampstead; Miss Kathleen Burleigh, Matron of the Fountain Fever Hospital, Tooting; Miss E. Cartwright, Matron of the Hospital for Women, Brighton; Miss S. Cartwright, Secretary of the Registered Nurses' Society; Miss E. Kingsford, formerly Matron of the Metropolitan Hospital; Mrs. Turnbull, formerly Sister John, and Gold Medallist of the Hospital; Mrs. De Segundo; Miss Margaret Jones, Assistant Matron, Northern Fever Hospital, Winchmore Hill; Miss E. M. Wade, formerly Sister Stanley; Miss Kanthack, Sister Charity; Miss E. J. Hurlston, Registered Nurses' Society, and many other members, or late members, of the nursing staff.

Conspicuous also were members of the visiting staff, including Sir Thomas Smith, Bart., Consulting Surgeon; Mr. W. J. Walsham, F.R.C.S., and Lecturer to the Nurses; Mr. Edgar Willett, F.R.C.S.; Mr. Walter Spencer, F.R.C.S., and others.

The guests were received by Mrs. Howard Marsh, who looked charming gowned in black, and who was a most admirable hostess. Miss Stewart also wore a black gown, relieved in front with turquoise blue crêpe de chine, over which were dainty black velvet ribbons fastened by tiny buckles. Miss Stewart and many of the members wore the badge of the League, the shield of the Hospital, in black and white, which, in the case of the President, is mounted in gold, and was presented to her by the Sisters, and for the members in silver.

The spacious reception rooms were crowded throughout the evening, and many old friendships were renewed, conversation being brisk and animated, while the excellent music was much appreciated. It was nearly twelve o'clock before the majority of the guests took their leave, after expressing their appreciation of the enjoyable evening they had spent, and realizing anew the pleasure, as well as the benefit, of their professional Association.

We learn that the first copy of the *League News*, the organ of the League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses, is expected to appear about the 15th of the present month. Its price is 6d., and it is to be published bi-annually. It may be obtained from Mrs. Walter Spencer, 35, Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, W., and, no doubt, all the members, as well as many friends of the Hospital, will secure a copy.

We also hear that a social function of the League is to take place in July, at which a large attendance is expected.

THE following certificated nurses have been elected members of the League:—Mrs. Gillies, Sydney, New South Wales; and Miss Ella Borthwick, Miss A. M. Pearch, Miss M. Buckingham, Miss M. Skey, Miss E. Martin, Miss Maude Crump, Miss Grace Stratton, Miss Lucy Andrade, Miss Ruth Graham, Miss L. Cunningham, Miss C. Lundie, Miss F. B. Mathews, Miss Zoe Pixell, Miss A. Madden, and Miss Mildred Moore, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

## A Deserving Charity.

THE Annual Dinner of King's College Hospital was held at the Whitehall Rooms, Hotel Metropolitan. The Hon. W. F. D. Smith presided, and was supported by Viscount Dillon, Chairman of the Committee of Management, and others. The toast of the evening was "Success to King's College Hospital," given by the Chairman, who said he had never felt a more genuine interest in any institution than he did in this one. He had recently visited the hospital, and was much struck with the admirable arrangements made for the comfort of the patients. There were few institutions more deserving of public support. The assured income of the hospital was only £2,500, and the annual expenditure £19,000, while there was urgent need of further improvements. Subscriptions were announced amounting to £2,765 5s., including £200 from the Chairman, £500 from Mr. W. Heward Bell, and £100 from Mr. C. Pearce Serocold.

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