

Nursing Echoes.

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At a meeting held in the Council Chamber, Dublin Castle, on Monday afternoon, under the presidency of Countess Cadogan, it was resolved to raise an endowment fund to the memory of Queen Victoria, on behalf of the Queen Victoria Institute for Nurses. The following ladies have joined the Memorial Committee: Catherine, Duchess of Westminster, Lady Mary Howard, Lady Elizabeth Biddulph, and Viscountess Baring. So far so good, but where are the representatives of the people on the Committee of this National Memorial?

At the Naval and Military Exhibition, opened at the Crystal Palace on Thursday by Lord Roberts, in commemoration of the jubilee of the Great Exhibition in 1851, the care of the wounded in war is illustrated by the representation of a field hospital, with collecting and dressing stations, and various methods of transport, including an ambulance train. This interesting exhibit is to be found in the Egyptian and Roman Courts.

It will be remembered that the North-Eastern Fever Hospital, Tottenham, consists of a group of temporary buildings hastily erected in 1892, in face of an epidemic of scarlet fever. The first section of the proposed new hospital, which includes accommodation for the entire staff of the future hospital, was opened last Saturday, when it was inspected by the members of the Metropolitan Asylums Board and others, who were conducted round the new buildings by the Medical Superintendent (Dr. Herbert Cuff), the Matron (Miss H. Schooling), the Steward, and the Resident Medical Officers, after which tea was served, when much pleasure was expressed at the new building. The staff quarters consist of large mess-rooms, sitting-rooms, bedrooms and bathrooms for the nurses. The bedrooms, each of which has a fire-place, number 186, and every nurse has a room to herself. There are also 108 cubicles for the maids, each having her own. The bathroom accommodation for both nurses

and maids is about one bathroom to every ten persons. The nurses have waited long for their new home, but they now have a very charming one.

At the recent dinner of the Westminster College of Chemistry and Pharmacy, held in the Venetian Chamber at the Holborn Town Hall, there were 200 persons present, nearly 100 being ladies, many of whom were past or present students of the College. Had all the women students been present, the "Lady Dispenser" would have been even more in evidence, but so many hold appointments in different parts of England that they were unable to get away, and the nurses who take up dispensing, as many now do, are also busy people.

The toast of "The Students and the Ladies," was responded to by Miss Forster, who is in charge of the Ladies' Department. She said that the lady students had been most successful in passing their examination, and that they set a good example by their hard work. They were very happy in their work, and not one had ever regretted taking it up.

The Wandsworth Guardians have resolved to have the lawn tennis court of the nurses at the Infirmary taken up and relaid with asphalt in a workmanlike manner.

Mrs. Baden-Powell, who arrived in England on the *Kinfauns Castle*, has stated that General Baden-Powell, who is at present at Zurfontein, six miles from Johannesburg, organising his constabulary, intends to establish, in connection with the force, a special hospital, the nurses connected with which will wear green costumes and "B.-P." hats. The men's uniform also will be green. The general has always a train fully provisioned in readiness to proceed to any part of the Transvaal in case of emergency.

The *Avondale Castle*, which has left the Cape for England had on board Nursing Sisters W. J. Froneman and M. M. Hordern. Nursing Sister C. Harvest has also left for home on the *Bavarian*, and Nursing Sisters B. E. Caws, L. Schroeder, H. M. Shaw, L. M. Tippetts, and E. M. Denny are due at Southampton on May 30th.

Mrs. Mary Miller, a professional nurse, has obtained £100 damages from the L.N.W.R. Company. As she alighted from a standing train at Tuebrook, near Liverpool, the carriage was bumped forward, causing injury to her right ankle.

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