

The Society of American Women "At Home."

The Society of American Women in London have shown themselves alive to their national responsibilities in the action which they have just taken in inviting the Nurse Delegates, who have recently returned from the International Congress of Nurses at Buffalo to a Reception, at their rooms at Prince's, on Friday, November 29th, at 3 p.m.

The Society of American Women has gained a well deserved reputation for the brightness and success of the functions which it organizes, and there is little doubt that the present instance will be no exception to the rule, and that the afternoon will be a most enjoyable one. It is proposed that a meeting shall be held from 3 to 4.30, when the Chair will be taken by Mrs. Glynnes, the Acting President, who will present the speakers, to the meeting, who, it is hoped, will include the majority of the British Delegates. On the conclusion of the addresses a Social Gathering will be held in the rooms of the Society, when tea, and talk, will be enjoyed to the strains of the Walsingham House Band.

At the request of some of the Delegates, the Society has most kindly arranged that the addresses shall be delivered in a room which will permit of a limited number of the members of the Nursing Societies, which were represented at Buffalo, being present. Tickets to the number of 150 have, therefore, been kindly reserved for this purpose, which may be obtained, price 1s. each, from the following addresses:—

Mrs. Arthur Fay, Chairman of Executive Committee, 21, Upper Wimpole Street, W.
Miss M. Breay, Hon. Sec. Matrons' Council, 46, York Street, Portman Square, W.
Mrs. Walter Spencer, Hon. Sec. League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses, 35, Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, W.

Tickets will be issued to Members of the following Societies in the order of applications:—

The International Council of Nurses.
Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses.
The Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland.
The Indian Army Nursing Service.
The Colonial Nursing Association.
The Workhouse Infirmary Nursing Association.
The Northern Workhouse Infirmary Association.
The League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses.
Guy's Hospital Training School for Nurses.
Guy's Trained Nurses' Institute.
The Registered Nurses' Society.
Leicester Infirmary Training School for Nurses.
School Nurses' Society.
Maternity and District Nurses, Plaistow.
Australasian Trained Nurses' Association.
Asylum Workers' Association.
Midwives' Institute.
Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses.

Nursing Echoes.

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Miss Florence Nightingale gained much of her experience in Nursing at the Ladies' Home, 90, Harley Street, an establishment for gentlewomen where the patients contribute half the expenses of their treatment, and it is characteristic to find her faithful in her interest in this good work, after half a century has passed. Miss Nightingale is appealing for financial aid for the Home, and says that the work "is after my own heart, and I trust God's work." Her conclusion is touching. "I ask and pray my friends, who still remember me, not to let this truly sacred work languish and die for want of a little more money.

A deputation of Poor Law Guardians are to wait upon the Local Government Board at an early date to secure their sanction to the formation of a Yorkshire Nursing Association, which would give certificates of competency to nurses trained in Yorkshire Infirmaries.

Miss McGahey and Miss Amy Hughes, Delegates to the Buffalo Congress, have returned to England, after an extended tour in the States. We hear that a very handsome testimonial is to be presented to Miss Hughes by the nurses on the staff of the Nurses' Co-operation, in grateful remembrance of her term of office as Lady Superintendent. We are glad also to hear that the Committee are doing all in their power to meet the wishes of the nurses concerning direct representation, and other little matters which it is hoped will conduce to harmony in the Society.

The effort to arouse interest in Scotland in the Colonial Nursing Association, which was for a while postponed owing to the demands upon the public purse with regard to providing hospitals to work in South Africa and memorials of the late Queen, is now being vigorously prosecuted. A meeting of the Scottish Branch (Lady Balfour's Fund) of the Colonial Nursing Association was held last Friday in the City Chambers, Edinburgh, when Sir Mitchell Thomson presided, and there was a representative gathering, including Lord Provost Chisholm, of Glasgow, who was asked

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