other representatives in the pageant numbered 121. The Great Northern Central Hospital car represented nurses and a patient, and excited much interest along the route traversed by the procession. Amongst the urgent needs of the Hospital are a Children's Ward, a Convalescent Home, and accommodation for the nursing staff.

Two valedictory meetings in connection with the Nurses' Missionary League will (D.V.) be held at University Hall, Gordon Square, W.C., on Tuesday, October 8th: Afternoon conversazione, 2.30 to 6; evening meeting, 7 to 9. These meetings are specially arranged to bid God-speed to eight members of the League who sail this autumn for the foreign field. All friends interested in Nursing and Hospital life, whether at home or abroad, are cordially invited.

The programme has been planned to make it possible for nurses to come in relays from the various hospitals, during their off-duty times, and the afternoon conversazione will be so divided that any nurse, though coming only for a short time, will yet be able to have tea, see the curios, and hear at least one address; there will also be opportunity for social intercourse.

Amongst the speakers at the Afternoon Conversazione will be Mrs. Albert R. Cook, trained at Guy's Hospital, of Mengo Hospital, Uganda, who will speak on "The Opportunities of a Christian Nurse in a Heathen Land." Miss F. Muriel Saunders (C.M.S.) trained at the Mildmay Mission Hospital, who is proceeding to the Punjâb, Miss Emily Gantrey (Z.B.M.M.), trained at the City of London Infirmary, proceeding to Palwal, N.W. Provinces, India, and Miss Lydia Fox, trained at the London Temperance Hospital, proceeding to Seoni, Central Provinces. The closing address in the afternoon will be given by the Rev. William Bolton, who has recently returned from Shanghai.

At the evening meeting Mrs. Albert Cook will again speak, her subject being "The Evolution of a Native Nurse." Mr. Garfield Williams will speak of the Tokyo Students' Conference, and other speakers will be Miss Mabel Wade (C.E.Z.M.S.), trained at the Great Northern Central Hospital, proceeding to Dohnavur, S. India, Miss Edith E. Giles (C.E.Z.M.S.), trained at King's College Hospital, proceeding to Sa-yong, China, and Miss M. Ada Griffith (C.E.Z.M.S.), trained at the Women's Hospital, Soho Square, who is proceeding to Fuh-Kien, S. China.

The following members of the League will

have sailed before the farewell meeting: Miss Isabel Frodsham (C.M.S.), trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, who leaves England on October 3rd, for Dera Ghazi Khan, Miss Airman (L.M.S.), trained at the Royal Infirmary Edinburgh, who leaves for China on October 5th.

The whole of the resident and visiting medical staff at the Sheffield Workhouse Hospital have resigned. It is believed that this condition of things is, in some degree, attributable to the action of the local branch of the British Medical Association, and the Guardians have written to that body referring to the possibility of their being unable to obtain the medical assistance necessary in an institution containing 400 or 500 sick persons, and regretting that before action was taken that the Guardians were not afforded an opportunity of discussing the questions at issue with the Association. It is alleged that the difficulties have arisen since the hospital has been administered as an institution separate from the workhouse, and that the Matron is made the administrative head, the medical staff being subordinate to her. The Guardians profess ignorance as to the cause of the trouble.

The Lord Mayor, Sir William Treloar, whose love of invalid children is well known, on Tuesday last laid the foundation stone of the new children's ward at the Buchanan Hospital, St. Leonard's-on-Sea. The designs of the work as it will be when completed are charming.

## Presentations to Matrons.

The Lady Superintendent of Ancoats Hospital, Miss L. Chambers, on retiring from the matronship, has been presented by the Committee of Management with a purse of one hundred guineas, subscribed among themselves, in token of their esteem and in recognition of the long devoted and valuable services she has rendered to the Institution. The Ladies' Committee made Miss Chambers a presentation of a handsome gold watch bracelet, and the nursing staff made a gift of a gold pendant.

A pleasant little ceremony took place last week at the Stillorgan Convalescent Home, Dublin, when the Committee of Management gave an At Home before the departure of the Matron, Miss Agnew, who recently resigned the position. In the course of the afternoon Mr. M. T. Moses spoke warmly in appreciation of Miss Agnew's work, and presented her on behalf of the Committee and others with a handsome cheque.



