

holding of loving kisses, which at one time he lavished upon her. Her poor little heart ached, but Harry was deaf and blind to her entreaties. On the day in question, after all their news was given and heard, and the time was up and visitors had to go, Harry put out his hand and gripped his mother's, saying, 'Good-bye, mother, till next week; and good-bye Mabel, dear.' Lower and lower drooped the quivering lips, and the big blue eyes filled with tears, as Mabel faltered out, 'Oh, Harry, aren't you going to give me a kiss.' Harry looked on her with hungry eyes, as once again the pleading voice cried, 'Oh, Harry, give me a kiss, and never mind the presumption' (consumption). Collapse of all Harry's resolution, as he folded the small figure to his breast and kissed her over and over again. And who shall blame him?"

At a recent meeting of voluntary lady workers in Dundee under the Notification of Births Act, Dr. Templeman, the medical officer of health, and Councillor John Reid attended in connection with the proposed establishment (under the Public Health Committee) of two restaurants for nursing mothers. The Public Health Committee have approved of the opening of two such restaurants, and the ladies expressed hearty approval of the scheme. On the suggestion of Mr. Reid, it was agreed to pass a resolution calling upon the Town Council to open the restaurants, and a deputation was appointed to support the scheme at the next monthly meeting of the Council.

A German contemporary, *Uber Land und Meer*, states that upon the instigation of the German Emperor, the Red Cross Sisters, "Army Sisters," as they are called, while on duty in a military hospital, and who are available in time of war, have received a new and quite different uniform.

The blue-and-white striped dress is replaced by one of a light-coloured grey and the wide sleeves are gathered at the wrists by a cuff decorated with white turned-back flaps.

A high white standing collar is worn. The brooch of the "Army Sisters" bears the insignia of the Red Cross and is larger and differently decorated than formerly.

The hood is more attractive than the replaced starched one, and consists of a double lace-trimmed cloth which falls in soft pleats.

The cape gives the whole a military appearance, being made of dark-blue military cloth, the hood of which is lined with bright-red silk, and on each corner of the turned-down collar is embroidered a red cross on a field of white.

A short elbow cape of blue cloth, bound with a stripe of red cloth, completes the uniform.

The trunk is always ready for use, and is the same as the soldier's trunk, except that it is decorated with the insignia of the Red Cross.

Presentation to Miss Wyld.

The retirement of Miss Wyld, the greatly esteemed Matron of the Holborn Union Infirmary, after seventeen years' good work, has been marked by many expressions of goodwill upon the part of all her fellow workers, and she has been the recipient of many valuable presents.

The presentation ceremony took place in the Board Room of the Infirmary, at which the Chairman, Mr. T. Bolton, presided, and he spoke in terms of warmest praise of Miss Wyld and her work.

The presents included the following:—From Dr. McLearn, Medical Superintendent, a travelling clock; from Mr. and Mrs. Barber, silver egg steamer; from the daily women workers, a cauldron and brass tongs and glass goldfish bowl; from the past and present officers, walnut dining-room table, damask tablecloth, crimson plush tablecloth, black skin hearthrug, brass fender and fireirons, an art pot, and an illuminated address. This, which was beautifully illuminated and in an oak frame, read: "Holborn Infirmary, Highgate. To the Matron, Miss Wyld,—On the occasion of your retirement from the above Infirmary, after holding office for 17½ years, we, the undersigned, past and present officers, ask your kind acceptance of the accompanying gifts as a token of our sincere esteem and appreciation, and venture to hope that as we can never forget you and your work here, they may remind you of the association of many happy years with us. September 8th, 1908." Then followed about 100 signatures of subscribers.

Miss Wyld, in acknowledging the gifts, remarked that if there had been times when the nurses had thought her a little severe, she could only assure them that she had ever endeavoured to do her duty conscientiously, not only to themselves, but to the Guardians, to whom she was responsible, and to the sick and dying to whom they ministered. She hoped her old friends would keep a warm corner in their hearts for her. Her leaving would be a great sorrow to her.

A very enjoyable social gathering followed the presentation ceremony.

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