

NURSING ECHOES.

INTERNATIONAL GREETINGS.

The President of the National Council of Trained Nurses received the following cablegram last week from Miss Annie Goodrich, the President of the International Council of Nurses, in session at San Francisco:—
"American organizations send affectionate greetings regretting absence."

Indeed, the regrets are mutual, and we can only hope all present during the Congress week enjoyed it as much as we should have done, if circumstances had not prevented our attendance. All we

can do is to look forward to Miss Kent's letters, in which we feel sure she will have good news to report, as the result of the meeting of so many American nurses. On this side we all hold the leaders of American nursing progress in sincere admiration, and those we know—Miss Annie Goodrich, Miss M. A. Nutting, Miss Genevieve Cooke, Miss A. Delano, Miss E. Foley, Miss Sophia Palmer, and Miss M. Riddle—are held in real affection. Many others, amongst them Miss Clara D. Noyes, of Bellevue, Miss Agnes Deans, Mrs. C. V. Twiss, Miss J. E. Parsons, Miss E. Crandall, Miss L. Giberson, and Miss E. Sly, who attended the Congress, are names

which stand for fine work, both in advancing nursing education and thus uplifting their work, and in the organization of nursing in every way for the benefit of the members of our profession. Personally, we think a trip to the American Continent once in a while quite the most educative and inspiring process possible, and if the thousands of nurses on this side could only afford to cross the Atlantic now and then, much of their insularity and apathy would be blown away. Anyway, the next International meeting, to take place in Copenhagen, will be

within the reach of many, and of all the delightful people, no one can take precedence of the Danes for courtesy and hospitality.

The excellent work done by the Paddington and St. Marylebone District Nursing Association, under the supervision of Miss S. M. Marsters, is well known, but an immense area has had to be covered from 4, Randolph Road, Maida Vale, W., and, further, the work has outgrown its headquarters, and nurses have been obliged to sleep away from the Home—at no time a convenient or desirable arrangement.

The difficulty has now been met by opening a branch home at 43, Blandford Square, W., a delightful, airy, and well-planned house overlooking cool green trees, and furnished in excellent taste, and on Friday last week its friends and many well-wishers assembled for the inauguration ceremony.

Tea was first served in the nurses' sitting-room, and then came the annual meeting, at which the Mayor of St. Marylebone presided. The first business was the formal opening of the Home, which Lady St. Helier performed in a happy and appreciative speech, congratulating Miss Marsters on the realization of a great hope. Then the Mayor, who moved the adoption of the Report, which was

presented by Miss Marsters, said how pleased he was to welcome the Association to its own residence in the borough. Miss Amy Hughes, who seconded, said we were approaching the time when the question of district nursing was becoming one of public health. In Paddington and Marylebone the Association had always cooperated with the public health authorities, and, on behalf of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute, she expressed its gratitude to the Association for the work it was doing. Miss Hughes caused some amusement by saying that, speak-



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