NURSING ECHOES.

Miss Amy B. Curtis, the new President of the Victoria and Bournemouth Nurses' League, whose portrait we publish on this page, was trained at the Southwark Infirmary, East Dulwich, under Miss Armit, and afterwards held the position of Head Nurse at the Miller Hospital, Greenwich. Later she became House Nurse at the Victoria Home for Paying Patients, Cambridge Road, Bournemouth, and,

subsequently, Sister-in - Charge at the Home of Good Hope, Bourne mouth. She has also had experience of private nursing. She has now, as we have notified, received the high honour of election, by her colleagues, to the vacant Presidency of the abovementioned League, upon the retirement from office of Miss Christina Forrest, the Founder of the League. We feel sure Miss Curtis will emulate the devoted services to the profession as a whole, of her distinguished predecessor. We wish her a happy a n d successful reign.

We are glad to learn that the sale of work of the

Missionary Nurses' League has been a success, and that $\pounds 44$ has been received. There are still some nice things left for sale, and Miss Richardson will be glad to send them to members who can dispose of them. Some really beautiful work was received this year, and those who worked for the Sale will be pleased that the results have been so good. We know many nurses who have never heard of

the Nurses' Missionary League. It was founded in 1903, for the special purpose of bringing before all the members of the nursing profession the importance of the missionary enterprise, and the great opportunity which medical work affords for the extension of the Kingdom of God, and thus to arouse interest and secure offers of personal service for the foreign mission field. During the twelve years of its existence some 2,000 nurses have become members of the League. The majority of these



MISS AMY B. CURTIS, PRESIDENT, VICTORIA AND BOURNEMOUTH NURSES' LEAGUE. are in hospitals in all parts of England, Scotland and Ireland, and the others are in private, district, and other work : 210 have gone abroad as missionaries.

A Sister writes from Rome :----"Christmas has come and gone, but many pleasant memories will remain of a very happy day, despite the sadness which is inevitable whilst we are passing through such a national crisis. At the Policlinico, Rome, la festa was in evidence everywhere amongst the many pavilions and the

r,500 patients. "The greater number of beds are occupied by Italians, whilst at the Scuola Convitto, where the

Queen of Italy has a school for training Italian ladies in the English methods of nursing, there are 350 beds, some of which are occupied by *i militari*.

"Mass was sung at midnight in the chapel of the Scuola Convitto by the Italian nurses, and all the English nurses and Sisters were permitted to attend Holy Communion at All Saints' Church at an early hour. All the wards



