

begun at Bagatelle. Its possibilities are illimitable. We always imagine Mlle. Bose, who left this lovely estate for the use of the poor of Bordeaux, is quietly awaiting somewhere in the *Domaine de Bagatelle*, to insist that her intentions are carried out, as they surely will be.

THE IRISH MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Irish Matrons' Association was held on January 3rd, 1920, at 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. The principal business was the election of office bearers for 1920, which resulted as follows:—

President: Miss Michie, Q.V.J. Nursing Inst.
Treasurer: Miss Thornton, R.R.C., Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital.

Hon. Secretary: Miss Carson Rae, 34, St. Stephen's Green.

THE IRISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

The Irish Nurses' Association held their monthly meeting at 34, Stephen's Green, Dublin, on the 3rd inst., Miss Reeves, R.R.C. (President) in the chair.

The President reported the result of an interview with the chairman of the Council of the Ministry of Health for Ireland, which was considered satisfactory.

IRISH NURSING BOARD.

It is not improbable that the first Register of Nurses (June, 1919), compiled by the Irish Nursing Board (approved by the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland), will be its last, as now a Statutory Nursing Council is to be authorised by Parliament, under the Nurses Registration (Ireland) Act, it will naturally be the aim of every well-trained Irish nurse to place her name upon it.

The Irish Nurses' Association—the pioneer Nurses' Society in Ireland—has been very alert in the interest of Irish Nurses, especially since it was recognized that Ireland was to have its own Registration Act, and we have no doubt that some of the clear-sighted and able women who have for so long given devoted service to nursing reforms in Ireland will be selected to form the General Nursing Council under the Act. With their wide experience, their services should be invaluable.

RESIGNATION

Miss H. E. Reed, Ivanhoe, Dublin, has resigned the position of Hon. Secretary to the Irish Board, College of Nursing, Ltd. and at a recent meeting her resignation was received with very great regret, and the gratitude of the Board was directed to be conveyed to Miss Reed for the invaluable services she had rendered.

We note that the Board is still "registering" Nurses. Now the Nurses Registration Acts are passed, it is time all nurses' organisations ceased

to take money from nurses for voluntary registration. Much better advise them to save their guineas for State Registration.

WINTER SALES.

AT MESSRS. G. COZENS & CO., LTD.,
Edgware Rd., and Seymour St., Marble Arch,
London, W.2.

With the advent of the New Year the winter sales are beginning, and wise people will pay early visits, if they wish to profit by the exceptional bargains which are offered by some high-class firms.

At Messrs. G. Cozens & Co., Ltd., throughout the house there are great reductions and many bargains in all departments. Patterns of those in the silk department, and in dress and coat materials will be sent on demand, post free. There are also many underskirts, varying in price from 2s. 11½d. to 21s. If money is sent with order, and the goods supplied are not satisfactory, the money will be returned. Coats, furs, blouses, and many other attractive things all share in the general reduction.

AT MESSRS. GAYLER & POPE'S,
112 to 117, High Street, Marylebone, London, W.1.

The Annual Winter Sale of Messrs. Gayler & Pope, 112-117, High Street, Marylebone, London, W.1, is always an event in—and far beyond—the Nursing Homes area in the West End. Here are to be found bargains in all departments during the Sale which this year begins on January 9th. White Merino combinations with high necks and short sleeves, at 7s., are in these days a bargain not to be overlooked; but there are only three dozen of these, so those who wish to secure them must be early in the field. Irish embroidered nainsook chemises at 3s. 11d., tweed costumes at 49s. 11d., and serge and tweed skirts at 10s. each, should soon be cleared out, and wise housewives will make a point of visiting the department where household linens, blankets and down quilts are being offered much under to-day's prices. Travellers' samples of ladies plain black stockings (mostly J. and R. Morley's), at 2s. 3d. a pair are bargains indeed. Don't forget the date, January 9th, and be there on time.

BRITISH FIRST-AID TO AUSTRALIA.

The successful flight of Captain Ross-Smith and his crew on the Vickers-Vimy aeroplane emphasises what can be achieved by courage, skill and foresight. In such a stupendous enterprise nothing dare be left to chance, and, amongst other things to be provided against, are minor accidents and illnesses which would incapacitate members of the crew if treatment were not available. As a precaution against such mishaps Captain Ross-Smith carried a "Tabloid" First-aid outfit of Burroughs Wellcome & Co., of which he reports:—

"It is a complete medical outfit for emergencies, but so compact that it takes up no material space on the machine."

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