

NURSING ECHOES.

Queen Mary has arranged to visit Cardiff in the first or second week in April, when she will attend a performance at Cardiff in aid of the Nursing Association for the County of Glamorgan. She will stay at St. Fagan's Castle, near Cardiff, with Lord and Lady Plymouth.

Her Majesty Queen Mary has approved the appointment from January 1st, 1938, of a long list of Queen's Nurses for duty in districts in England, Scotland, and Ireland. The services of these nurses is of the greatest national value.

The Princess Royal is taking a very active part in health work. Her Royal Highness recently opened

H.R.H. The Duchess of Gloucester, who is President of King's College Hospital, recently paid a private visit there. She is seen in our picture being received by members of the nursing staff with acclamation. She was then conducted round the wards by Miss Margery K. Blyde (the Sister Matron) and other members of the staff, and expressed warm satisfaction with the arrangements for the comfort of the patients and Nurses.

On February 5th, Her Royal Highness visited Plymouth, when she received purses containing more than £2,000 on behalf of the Three Towns' Nursing Association, which has a debt of £11,000. She was welcomed in the Guildhall, which was beautifully decorated with flowers, by the Lord Mayor, and was accorded a vote of thanks at the instance of the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe. The 245 purses received by the



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the new wards added to the Derby Children's Hospital, as a memorial to King George V. with a golden key, and visited many of the patients.

The Princess Royal, who is the patroness of the Institute of Ray Therapy, the hospital for electrical treatment in Camden Town, N.W.1, opened the new extension on Saturday, February 5th. She was welcomed by Lord Horder (the President) and Dr. Williams Beaumont (the hon. medical director). After declaring the extension open, the Princess received purses from a "pearly king" amongst others, after which she inspected the new department of electro-therapy.

The extension and equipment have been provided at a cost of £7,500, and £1,500 more is required to complete the equipment. At present seven fully qualified sisters and one assistant are engaged, and the increased accommodation and equipment will require an increased staff.

Duchess included more than 70 from Cornwall, many of which were presented by District Nurses.

The Duchess afterwards visited the premises of the Three Towns' Nursing Association. A number of newly born babies, including one in an incubator, were shown to the Duchess, who talked with the mothers in the maternity ward.

Apart from the purses presented to the Duchess, about £600 was raised by a bazaar; and students of the Royal Naval Engineering College collected £130.

Dame Alicia Lloyd Still retired last month from the position of Matron of St. Thomas's Hospital, after over 40 years' service, including 24 years as Matron and Superintendent of the Nightingale Training School for Nurses. Dame Alicia has been appointed a Governor of the Hospital and also to the Committee of the Nightingale Fund Council, so that she can take

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