

Hospital with a broken leg, maimed, and bruised. She lost everything she had in the world—clothing, her gold watch and chain, bank book, and all her little valuables. From 15 years' experience as a Hospital chaplain I can confidently say that we have in our Hospital Nurses a band of devoted, self-denying women, who deserve all encouragement in their most arduous task. Any contributions to enable the poor girl to make a fresh start in life will be thankfully received by F. Brindley, Chaplain of the Middlesex Hospital."

MISS SARAH TYTLER has chosen Miss Florence Lees (Mrs. Dacre Craven) as her third illustration of "Girls who Won Success" in this month's number of *Atalanta*, her two previous characters having been Elizabeth Thompson (Lady Butler) and Mrs. Garrett-Anderson, the former distinguished for her great talents in art, and the latter well known for her success in medicine. It is fitly entitled "A Servant of the Sick and Poor," and gives an interesting account of the reason why Miss Florence Lees adopted Nursing as a career. During her girlhood, a loved brother died in the Naval Hospital at Shanghai, nursed by strangers, and she felt a great longing to do for others, what others had done for him. Her training began at St. Thomas's Hospital; after which she went abroad to Dresden and to Berlin, and from thence to the Institution of Deaconesses at Kaiserwerth, near Düsseldorf, on the Rhine, where she won a certificate. A touching description is given of the Nursing which Miss Florence Lees undertook in 1870 at the village of Marangue, near Metz, during the Franco-Prussian War, of the hardships she underwent, of the care and trouble she bestowed on the sick and wounded, and of the gratitude of the men. Reference is made to several articles written by Miss Lees in *Good Words* in 1873, with accounts of her work. It appears that she next worked at the Crown Princess of Germany's Ambulance Hospital at Homburg, and then visited the United States and Canada, and inspected their principal Hospitals. In 1875, she started in London the Metropolitan and National Nursing Association, for providing Trained Nurses to attend the sick poor in their own dwellings, to which fact I referred about a fortnight ago. In 1879, Miss Florence Lees married the Rev. Dacre Craven, rector of St. George-the-Martyr, Holborn, but is known to take the deepest interest still in all Nursing matters.

I AM glad to hear that Miss Going, of the Fever Hospital, at Carlisle, has been appointed Matron of the Fever Hospital, at Middlesborough, in the place of Miss Procter, whose appointment at

Hull I chronicled some weeks ago. I hope she will be very happy and successful in her new post.

It is very strange to find, on all sides, what a prominent place Nurses are taking in public estimation. A correspondent sends me the following cutting from *Barker's Trade and Finance*—a journal devoted entirely to Stocks and Shares, and the last place one would have expected to find any *Nursing Echoes*:—"The other evening, in response to an invitation of 'the Junior Staff,' I attended a capital concert given by the Musical Society of St. Bartholomew's Hospital. It was held in the magnificent big hall, famed for its Hogarthian frescoes. Many of the Nurses also took part, looking so smart and trim in their white caps and blue gowns. Most of them had such strong, sensible, yet sweet and gentle faces. In their simple dress they looked far more attractive than we guests in our often unbecoming evening gowns. In the interval the Staff carried their friends off to their various rooms to partake of strawberries and cream. The Nurses, however, remained in their places. I suppose it is necessary to keep strictly to rules."

THE Women's Jubilee Fund is closed at last, and now is on the high road to being expended. The following semi-official report has now been published:—"A Central Provisional Committee was appointed by the Queen in June for the purpose of organising, in conjunction with the Duke of Westminster, Sir James Paget, and Sir Rutherford Alcock, the three Trustees of the Jubilee Fund, a scheme for the nursing of the sick poor at their homes throughout the kingdom, in connection with the St. Katherine's Hospital. One result of its labours has been the formation of Central Committees and Training Schools for Nurses in London, Edinburgh, and Dublin, to provide for the District Nursing of the Poor in England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively. The surplus of the Women's Jubilee Fund, amounting to a capital sum of £72,588, has been transferred to the above-mentioned Trustees invested in the 2½ per Cent. Government Stock, the income of which is to be at the disposal of the Governing Body of the Queen Victoria Nurses' Institute when fully constituted. It is obvious that this capital, yielding less than £2,000 per annum, can do very little towards providing Trained District Nurses for the three kingdoms without popular support and effective local co-operation in providing in each district the necessary funds in the hands of local committees. It will devolve on the three centres to organise and promote such local efforts, and on the Governing Body of the Queen Victoria

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