

His bursary will be spent in Scotland. For the first two months he is studying the health service of Edinburgh University, where he will spend some time in the department of dermatology, and he will also see something of the school health service under the direction of the Edinburgh medical officer of health. From July 6th to 8th he will attend the meeting of the British Student Health Officers' Association at Aberdeen.

Dr. Donabedian was from 1945 to 1947 physician and acting medical superintendent of the English Mission Hospital, Jerusalem.

### Yet, so well worth while!

ONCE AGAIN CAME the invitation to be present at the ever-inspiring gathering of the Annual Reunion of the Grenfell Volunteers, held in St. Andrew's Hall, The Overseas League, St. James Street, S.W.1, on April 13th.

Lord Grenfell when opening the proceedings regretfully announced the absence of the Chairman, Sir Henry Richards, C.B., LL.D., owing to ill-health and consequently his Lordship consented to take the Chair.

On introducing the speaker—Dr. Charles S. Curtis, C.B.E., Superintendent on the Coast—his Lordship spoke at some



Waiting to take the Patient to Hospital.

length on the wide reputation Dr. Curtis had earned in his long, devoted work as a disciple of Sir Wilfred Grenfell's great cause for the people of Newfoundland, and felt sure that all looked forward with great interest to what he had to tell.

Dr. Curtis on rising said that after a great many years away it was a great pleasure to be here, and prior to his demonstration showing a very beautiful coloured film of the life and activities of the Grenfell Mission, delivered an inspiring résumé of the remarkable progress in the Grenfell work.

The little bit of history was unfolded of how the fishermen and the Government had no money, and England introduced self-government, but there seemed to be little hope, then came the War, resulting in the building of a large naval base, and a large amount of money came into the country.

In 1947 it was decided to join Newfoundland to Canada, and now comparatively well-off, a great deal of money has been spent on road-building, the erection of houses and a fine sanatorium, as Dr. Curtis declared—"The changing life of the Grenfell is going from strength to strength."

Strangely enough in all these wonderful changes now taking place for the benefit of these splendid people, the burden of Dr. Curtis's words was on the very real need of more nurses, more than on finance.



A Nurse on Her Rounds.

In this field of work the speaker paid warm tribute to the British nurse, whose spirit of adventure and training created a special appeal for the work, bringing something which no one else brings.

His moving description of the self-reliance and versatile ability required of the Nurses situated some 100 miles from a Doctor, and alone, subject to the climatic rigours of the winter thrilled the audience. The speaker considered they were perfectly marvellous in their treatment of patients in many and grave emergencies, whether of terrible burns or even of giving an anaesthetic to extract teeth!

Dr. Curtis reminded the audience that there was also considerable difficulty in obtaining a housekeeper. Then followed the fine show of coloured films which he exhibited.

Warm thanks were given to Dr. Curtis for his most informative and enjoyable lecture.

Would that the young people of to-day might ponder over E. H. Shephard's apt cartoon in "Punch" of recent date, depicting "empty Hospital beds" visible, and his criticism of the young people queueing up for frivolous and vain pursuits in their choice of their future occupation! Would that many might think again and rather choose a career in the Grenfell Mission, a work of many hazards—yet, so well worth while.

### The Passing Bell.

Eva Margaret Talbot.

IT IS WITH deep regret that we record the following deaths: Of Miss Eva Margaret Talbot, who passed away suddenly after a short illness.

Miss Talbot received her training at Meath Hospital, Dublin, and was an early supporter of the Nurses' Cause, becoming a Foundation Member of the British College of Nurses, Ltd.

Miss Talbot's happy, kind personality will be greatly missed by her friends who dearly loved her.

Helen Ann Dean.

Also of Miss Helen Ann Dean who passed away early in the year after a long illness. Miss Dean started her Nursing career in 1892 as a probationer nurse at the Mental Hospital, Rainhill, where she trained until 1895, gaining her M.P.A.; from 1896 to 1900 she received her general training at the Glasgow Royal Infirmary. After experience in private nursing, Miss Dean held the posts of sister in the Hospital Samaritano, San Paulo, for three years, District Nurse in Kilsyth, Glasgow, until 1914 when throughout World War I she served successfully in England, France and Italy. On returning from Military duty she was appointed Matron of the Cottage Hospital, Kilsyth, Glasgow, in 1919, a position which she held until her retirement.

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