

Our Club has begun in a small way, started by just a handful of us working women, without any flourish of trumpets, and time only can prove whether we shall be more successful than a big Nurses' Club which started last year, but has since fallen to the ground, owing partly, I believe, to a great deal of red tapeism, and an unfortunate site chosen in an out of the way place in this City. We are very earnest in our wish to succeed, for we recognize the importance of organization, just as the members of the Royal British Nurses' Association do. We want to meet and discuss matters appertaining to our profession; and we also want to invite doctors to lecture to us, and so help us in our work. Since our reception, notices of it has appeared in the *New York Tribune*, *The World*, *The New York Recorder*, and *The Sun*, and Mrs. Teachman has been interviewed by delegates from *The Trained Nurse*, and some English medical paper, wanting to know what we are doing. Some of the members, too, have had extremely kind letters from some of the doctors who were unable to attend our reception—they are much interested in our Club and wish us every success.

National Health Society.

President:—HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF WESTMINSTER, K.G.



THE Second of the Course of Training Lectures, instituted by the National Health Society, for the purpose of preparing educated women to compete for appointments, as Sanitary Inspectors and Health Lecturers under the Vestries and the County Council Technical Education Scheme, took place on Tuesday, 16th inst., in the Committee Room of the Society, 53, Berners Street, W.

Among forthcoming lectures, the Society has arranged the following:—

- Miss SQUIRE.—January 22nd, at Peckham. Subject, "How to Feed and Clothe the Family," in connection with a large Mothers' Meeting. Lunch at the Vicarage, One o'clock. Mrs. Bicknell, 40, Hanover Park, Peckham, five minutes' walk from Peckham Rye Station (from Victoria).
- Miss SQUIRE.—"Homely Talks on Health." The second on January 23rd; the subject being, "Hints to avoid illness. What to do till the doctor comes." The Course is free, and takes place at St. Mark's Mission Hall, 39A, Charlotte Street, Portland Place, at 3.15.
- Miss SQUIRE will also deliver, *free*, a "Homely Talk on Health," once a month for four months to The Girls' Friendly Society, to begin on January 23rd.
- Miss ISABEL SMITH will lecture, *free*, on "First Aid to the Injured," to the Girls' Guild of the Wheatsheaf Hall Mission. The second lecture to be given on January 23rd, at Harlington House, Harlington Road, Wandsworth Road, at 8 o'clock.

Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



THE QUEEN has sent presents of game and old linen to several of the Hospitals during the past week. Her Majesty seems to specially favour the Middlesex Hospital, and in this shows much discrimination, as its management is a model of efficiency combined with economy.

The following Entrance Scholarships to Somerville Hall, Oxford, will be offered for competition in April, 1894:—I. The Clothworkers' Scholarship of £50 a year, tenable at the Hall for three years. II. The Mary Conybeare Scholarship of £50 a year, tenable at the Hall for two years, for classics only. III. The Student's Scholarship of £40, tenable at the Hall for two years. IV. The Pfeiffer Exhibition of £25 for three years. V. One Exhibition of not less than £25 a year.

The *Queen* says:—The results of the Bachelor of Science Examination of the University of London have just been issued. A student, the London School of Medicine for Women—Miss Aldrich Blake, M.B. Lond.—has passed third in honours with marks qualifying for a gold medal. At the M.B. Examination last year, Miss Aldrich Blake took first class honours in medicine and obstetric medicine. Since then she has held the posts of curator and assistant anaesthetist at the Royal Free Hospital, and she is now resident medical officer at the New Hospital for Women, Euston Road. Her name is also included in the list of medical women who have been elected members of the British Medical Association.

The following resolution has been received from the New Zealand Women's Franchise League, in acknowledgment of the congratulations sent to them by the Central Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage, 10, Great College Street, Westminster:—"The Executive of the Auckland Branch of the Women's Franchise League appreciatively acknowledge the kind resolution passed by the Central Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage, and beg to tender their thanks for the same, with a hearty hope that ere long they may have the pleasure of sending similar congratulations to the women of England."

The fifth annual report of the United Kingdom Branch of the National Association for Supplying Female Medical Aid to the Women of India—generally known as the Countess of Dufferin's Fund—gives an account of the manner in which this branch co-operates with the general work of the association in India. Its principal duties are to elect suitable ladies with the requisite medical qualifications for the staff of the Association in India, and to defray out of the English subscriptions the cost of their passages to and from India and of their outfits. The statement of accounts show that the present subscriptions are insufficient to meet these expenses. In a prefatory note pointing out the usefulness of the institution it is stated that an income of at least £1,000 a year is required for these and other similar purposes, whereas the income at present amounts only to £215.

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