At the last meeting of the council of University College, Liverpool, it was announced that the Rev. S. A. THOMSON YATES had presented the college with the sum of \pounds 15,000 in order to build pathological laboratories.

THE Countess of MEATH has given a chapel for the use of the patients at the Meath Home of Comfort for Epileptics at Godalming, which was founded by the Countess and opened by the Duchess of ALBANY two years ago. The chapel will be opened by the Bishop of Winchester on July 27th.

THE Special Course of Training Lectures, instituted by the National Health Society, and carried on year by year in the Lecture Rooms of the Offices at 53, Berners Street, W., will recommence in October next. The training is intended to qualify educated women to compete for lectureships on Nursing and Health under the County Council Scheme for Technical education, or for appointments as Sanitary Inspectors. Candidates must either be already Hospital-trained Nurses, or willing to undergo a period of six months' training in some recognised Hospital, and all must attend the Course of Lectures which includes the subjects of Anatomy and Physiology, Sanitation, Hygiene, First Aids in Accidents, and Nursing.

Candidates for Lectureships are trained in the art and manner of imparting knowledge and their capability of speaking and teaching tested, after which theoretical and practical examinations are held, and diplomas granted to successful candidates. The success of the Society's training is evidenced by the many public posts which those holding the Society's diploma have gained, and we would advise our readers who are able to go through such a training to visit the Secretary at the above address in order to further arrangements for the coming session, and to obtain syllabuses and full particulars. Many well-known ladies have previously entered for the training in order to gain a knowledge of such important questions as concern the public health and happiness of the Nation, and have thus set an excellent example to others of their standing who would otherwise lead a useless and butterfly existence.

ON the unanimous recommendation of the Senate, the Council of University College, Liverpool, have appointed Mr. A. M. Paterson, M.D. Edinburgh, to the Derby Professorship of Anatomy, endowed by the Earl of Derby; and Mr. R. W. Royce, M.B., London, to the George Holt Professorship of Pathology.

Matrons in Council.



An enthusiastic, and in the history of Nursing probably an epoch-making, Meeting was held on Friday evening, July 13th, in the Board Room of St. Bartholomew's Hospital. Upon the invitation of

Miss ISLA STEWART, the Matron, it was convened to discuss the desirability of forming a Hospital. Matrons' Council. The guests began to arrive about 7.30 p.m., when tea and coffee were served in the Hall, at the foot of the beautiful oak staircase, where Miss Stewart received her guests, assisted in her hospitable and gracious welcome by Miss Courtenay-Smith, the Assistant-Matron, and a dozen Sisters, who attended the guests in true sisterly fashion. The handsome Board room, white panelled to the ceiling, upon the walls of which hang portraits of the great men who helped in the past to make famous this magnificent old Hospital, had been metamorphised for the occasion. The deep embrasures of the windows were decorated with plants and flowers, and on the high overmantel the effect of palms in artistic yellow jars, in combination with delicate Iceland poppies of lovely shades, together with yellow shaded lamps, pro-duced a charming effect. Enthroned on high on the wall, framed in ivory and gold, the portrait after Holbein of King Henry VIII. kept watch

over the novel scene-a very irony of fate! Amongst those present may be mentioned: Mrs. Dacre Craven (Miss Florence Lees); Miss Antrobus, Guild of St. Barnabas; Mrs. Bedford Fenwick; Miss Oldham, Rural Nursing Association; Miss Medill, St. Mary's Hospital; Miss Alice Dannatt, late Manchester Royal Infirmary; Miss Ross, Royal Infirmary, Newcastle; Miss Rogers, Royal Infirmary, Leicester; Mrs. Suckling, County Hospital, Winchester; Miss Carvosso, Royal Infirmary, Derby; Miss Hopkins, South Devon and Exeter Hospital, Plymouth; Miss Mollett, Royal South Hants Infirmary, Southampton; Miss Clarke, Chichester Infirmary; Mrs. Francis, East Suffolk and Ipswich Hospital; Miss Price, Warnford Hospital, Leamington; Miss Wingfield, Macclesfield Infirmary; Mrs. Okell, Bridgewater Infirmary; Miss Coke, Royal Infirmary, Windsor; Miss East, National Hospital; Miss Smedley, Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street; Miss Bourne, Royal Chest Hospital; Miss Butler, Samaritan Free Hospital; Miss Ridley, Nervous Diseases Hospital, Regents Park; Miss Eliza Cartwright, New Hospital for Women; Miss Mocatta, Women and Children's Hospital, Waterloo Bridge Road; Miss Elphick, North London Consumption Hos-



