

mated to the Guardians that she should be allowed to resume her duties. We congratulate Miss Newbury on her businesslike attitude in this matter, more especially on requiring that the charges against her should be made in writing. We hope that now she has been re-instated in office, that the Master of the workhouse will realise the necessity for courtesy and discretion in his relations with this responsible official.

A Scottish correspondent writes:—On Monday evening, February 10th, the Corporation of Edinburgh held a reception for the nurses of their own Hospital, and those of Edinburgh generally, in the Music Hall and Assembly Rooms. There were over 400 nurses present in uniform, over 60 belonging to the City Hospital.

The Matrons present were: Miss Sandford, of the City Hospital; Miss Wade, of the Queen's Nurses; Miss Beveridge, of the Longmore Hospital; Miss Strange, of Chalmer's Hospital; Miss Edwards, of the Maternity; Miss Peter, of Craig House; Miss Stewart, of Campie House; and the Matrons of the Poorhouse Hospitals, Private Nursing Institutions, and Asylums; also Miss Adams, of Ruchill Fever Hospital, Glasgow.

The nurses were presented to the Senior Magistrate by the City Officer, and it was a pretty sight as they walked past, each set headed by their Matron.

The Hospital uniforms were pretty and neat, but some of the private nurses were conspicuous for general untidiness and a want of nurse-like appearance. They looked as if they were got up for a Fancy Ball, and the way their hair and unfortunate caps were distorted caused great amusement to their more businesslike sisters, and may we say heartache to some of the Matrons. Two Army Sisters were present and their dresses were very pretty. The Queen's Nurses, as usual, looked neat and businesslike. We wish that all nurses were as strictly kept as regards uniform as the soldiers, and that the Matrons would not give up the nursing dress. Lord Roberts does not lead the Army in an evening coat with a flower in his button-hole.

The managers of the Training School for Nurses of the Bellevue Hospital, New York, have arranged to offer a year's training in the internal working of the training school and hospital to two or more members of each graduating class of nurses who possess executive ability, and who desire to become Superintendents of training schools or Matrons of hospitals.

Reflections

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.



Her Majesty the Queen and her Royal Highness Princess Victoria, visited the Cheyne Hospital for Sick and Incurable Children, Chelsea, one day last week.

The Prince and Princess of Wales recently paid a visit to St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, and expressed themselves gratified with all they saw.

The Worshipful Company of Skinners have voted £1,000, payable in five yearly instalments of £200, in response to the Lord Mayor's appeal for a renovation and building fund of £180,000.

The generous donor who has made an offer to the Bishop of London to establish at her own cost a hospice for tired clergymen has added to her munificent gift by undertaking to contribute £1,600 per annum, which is the estimated cost of maintaining the institution when completed. Hendon has been chosen as the locality for the hospice, which is intended for the use of the clergy in the dioceses of London, Rochester, and St. Albans.

For the sake of child humanity the Church of England Waifs and Strays Society is attempting to get a Bill introduced into Parliament enacting that all homes supported by the charitable public shall be registered and periodically inspected by Government authority.

At present it is open to any one to establish and carry on a home for children and appeal to the public for its support, and although the large majority are established and conducted in good faith, the society urges that there are some where the welfare of the children is clearly not the first consideration.

Some fifty members of Parliament have signified their hearty approval.

An inquest was recently held relative to the death of a woman who was taken to the Middlesex Hospital after falling in a fit in the street and injuring her head. The wound was dressed, and she was then sent home in a cab. The circumstances of the case recall an episode in the trial of Breay *versus* Browne, when the solicitor for the defence swore that "he had endeavoured to obtain the presence of Mr. Fardon (Medical Superintendent of the Middlesex Hospital) at this trial, but without success. He had written two or three letters, and made inquiries as to his whereabouts, but had been unable to find his address." On the present occasion the Coroner's Officer stated that "he saw Dr. Hogg at the Middlesex Hospital, also the house surgeon, and the secretary, and informed them of the time of the inquest, but neither gentleman was present." The Middlesex Hospital officials appear to have an invincible dislike to facing the music.

At the annual meeting of the Kidderminster Infirmary Board it was announced that Mrs. William Adam

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