

He evidently prospered in Ireland, for in addition to large sums left to his wife and his son Richard, he also left £800 to his daughter Grissel. Richard qualified as a doctor, and practised in Dublin. He died in 1710, leaving property which brought in over £600 a year to his sister. If she married the legacy was to be hers absolutely. If not her brother suggested to her the propriety of founding a hospital for "such sick and wounded persons whose distempers and wounds are curable." Matrimony did not appeal to Madam Steevens, and having made up her mind to remain a spinster she soon proceeded to carry out her brother's suggestion. "Perhaps," says her biographer, "it was her own, who knows." She purchased land for this purpose in 1717, and gave £2,000 towards the building, acting as clerk of the works herself. Madam Steevens lived in the hospital which she built to the day of her death, in 1746, at ninety-three years of age. Her remains, first interred by torchlight in St. James' Churchyard, are now interred in the chapel attached to the hospital, in a spot near the pulpit.

In the early days of the hospital she was a constant visitor in the surrounding slums, and, partly from motives of humility, partly of safety, visited the poorest parts of the city, closely veiled. Thus arose the legends that she was doing penance for some sin, and that she had a pig's face, so that in later years she was wont to sit by the front corridor window with the blinds drawn back to dispel the idea.

Surely the hospital should bear the name of its foundress, Madam Steevens.

Conversazione for Nurses.

On Wednesday last, on the invitation of Lady Dodsworth, Mrs. Ingham, and Mrs. Maurice Craig, a very enjoyable Conversazione for Nurses was held at the Church Missionary House, Salisbury Square, E.C. From 2.30 to 9 p.m. a constant succession of guests enjoyed the interesting lectures, which were illustrated by cinematograph pictures. The Japanese Receptions also attracted many visitors, and were greatly appreciated.

Of special interest to the nurses were the models of mission hospitals and the collection of native surgical instruments. The speakers included Rev. C. W. A. Clarke, of Masulipatam, India, Dr. T. Jays, of Abeokuta, W. Africa, Miss F. A. Force, of Hing-hwa, China, Miss J. Poulter, of Hokchiang, China, Mrs. Edmonds, of Osaka, Japan, and Miss Reid, of Tokyo, Japan.

Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses.

The following thirty-six applications for membership of the above Society were approved at the recent meeting of the Executive Committee:—

- | Name. | Where trained. |
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| 1794. Miss C. M. Biggs, cert. | Royal Inf., Bristol. |
| 1795. Miss M. B. Bewsher, cert. | Cumberland Inf., Carlisle; Nurse Matron, College Hosp., Penrith. |
| 1796. Miss M. Cockshott, cert. | St. Barts. Hosp. |
| 1797. Miss T. M. R. Vaughan, cert. | Great Northern Hosp. |
| 1798. Miss L. D. Yates, cert. | Great Northern Hosp. |
| 1799. Miss M. L. Chignell, cert. | Lambeth Inf. |
| 1800. Miss G. A. Palmer, cert. | Great Northern Hosp. |
| 1801. Miss J. E. Pritchard, cert. | St. Barts. Hosp. |
| 1802. Miss A. Warwick, cert. | Royal Inf., Glasgow. |
| 1803. Miss P. W. Peter, trained | Royal Inf., Edinburgh, late General Superintendent, Q.V.J.I. |
| 1804. Miss M. H. Bateman, cert. | Kingston Inf. |
| 1805. Miss A. R. Newby, cert. | East Suffolk and Ipswich Hosp. |
| 1806. Miss E. Brailsford, cert. | St. Barts. Hosp. |
| 1807. Miss M. Bompas, cert. | St. Barts. Hosp. |
| 1808. Miss F. E. Thatcher, cert. | Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum. |
| 1809. Miss A. T. Atkins, cert. | Royal Albert Edward Inf., Wigan. |
| 1810. Miss A. R. Laurence, cert. | Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum. |
| 1811. Miss H. Johnson, cert. | Royal United Hosp., Bath. |
| 1812. Miss F. A. Webb, cert. | St. Pancras Inf. |
| 1813. Miss A. E. Webb, cert. | Royal United Hosp., Bath. |
| 1814. Miss M. Parsons, cert. | Chester Inf. |
| 1815. Miss S. Wilson, cert. | Royal Inf., Hull. |
| 1816. Miss E. E. Ellis, cert. | the Inf., Bridgwater. |
| 1817. Miss J. Melita Jones, cert. | Auckland Hosp., New Zealand (late Matron, Nelson Hosp., New Zealand). |
| 1818. Miss A. Hill, cert. | St. Barts. Hosp. |
| 1819. Miss J. W. Thorpe, cert. | Richmond Hosp., Dublin. Sister-in-Charge Memorial Hosp., Ludhiana; Hon. Sec. of Association of Nursing Supts. of the United Provinces and Punjab. |
| 1820. Miss E. Poile, cert. | General Hosp., Walthamstow. |
| 1821. Miss M. Nelson-Edwards, cert. | General Hosp., Walthamstow. |
| 1822. Miss E. Foster, cert. | General Hosp., Walthamstow. |
| 1823. Miss M. Chapman, cert. | General Hosp., Walthamstow. |
| 1824. Miss E. Wood, cert. | Paddington Green Hosp. |
| 1825. Miss A. Gregory, cert. | Wandsworth and Clapham Inf. |
| 1826. Mrs. F. Hawthorn, cert. | Royal Inf., Manchester. |
| 1827. Miss M. E. Bellamy, cert. | Bridgwater Inf., Matron Beckett Hospital, Barnsley. |
| 1828. Miss H. M. Macoun, cert. | Meath Hosp., Dublin. |
| 1829. Miss Clara Kettle, cert. | Union Inf., Salford. |

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