

Nursing Echoes.

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Her Majesty the Queen has nominated Adeline Duchess of Bedford as President of Queen Alexandra's Committee in succession to the late Countess Cadogan. This is a special auxiliary committee which is authorised to collect funds for the benefit of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

Her Royal Highness Princess Henry of Battenberg has signified her intention of being present at the annual meeting of the Colonial Nursing Association at Grosvenor House on June 14th. Lord Amphill will preside, and the speakers will include Mr. Austen Chamberlain, M.P., Sir George Taubman-Goldie, and Sir Francis Hopwood.

Several changes have recently taken place in the personnel of the nursing staff at St. George's Hospital. Sister Sutherland is taking up private nursing, and Sister Monckton has accepted an appointment in South Africa. Miss Jackson has been promoted to the position of Sister, and Miss Schulz to the charge of Wellington Ward. Miss Syzyspanska, of the London, has been placed in charge of Winchester Ward, and Miss Tibbits, from St. Bartholomew's, of the Belgrave Ward.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Asylum Workers' Association on Wednesday last, Sir William J. Collins, M.D., M.P., D.L., was appointed President of the Association, in succession to Sir John Batty Tuke, M.D., M.P., whose services during the past two years were gratefully acknowledged by the Committee. Sir William Collins has acted as Chairman of the London County Council, and has taken an active part in the work of the Asylums Committee. He is, therefore, conversant with the needs of Asylum Workers.

The Bishop of London, who presided at the recent Annual Meeting of the Hammersmith and Fulham District Nursing Association, held by his permission at Fulham Palace, said that there was no more appropriate place than the

palace, which had been the residence of the Bishops of London for 300 years, in which to hold the meeting in order to back up the work of the Association. The work of the Association was absolutely essential. He knew something about the lives of the working men of London, having lived amongst them for nine years, and had them as his constant companions. He knew how the thrifty made 20s., 25s., or 30s. keep the house going from one week's end to the other, but when sickness came, it was then that the whole thing broke down.

It is satisfactory that the freewill offerings of patients amount to no less than £74 4s., showing that the poor patients attended by the nurses appreciated their services. There is, however, a deficit of £11 1s. 5d. on the year's working. In moving the adoption of the Report, Sir William Bull, M.P., Mayor of Hammersmith, said that there was not a single charity in London which did more good than the Hammersmith and Fulham District Nursing Association.

Miss Amy Hughes, General Superintendent, Q.V.J.I., alluded to the fact that another nurse was wanted in the district, and said the branch set an example of what could be done where there were loyal and hard-working nurses.

The wardmaids at the Fulham Infirmary, Hammersmith, rightly object to being classed as artists' models, and have addressed an indignant letter to the Local Government Board, saying that as they have been publicly insulted they hope an apology will be made in the same way. It appears that the Guardians have a difficulty in retaining the services of wardmaids, and one of their number, it is asserted with the object of conveying that they were too good looking to stay, remarked that what the Guardians wanted was good scrubbers rather than artists' models.

The ward-maids regard the reference as insulting, and the term artists' models one to which, as hard-working girls, they strongly object. Mr. Alldred, the Guardian in question, has now made a handsome apology.

We are pleased to note that a correspondent in a contemporary advocates the use of ships not quite strong enough to again brave the Atlantic, as hospital ships in safe anchorage round the coast, where persons of slender means might enjoy the invigorating sea breezes while receiving treatment. A sea

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