

## Nursing Echoes.

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Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by her Royal Highness the Princess Victoria, last week visited the Cheyne Hospital for Sick and Incurable Children, Cheyne Walk, Chelsea. Her Majesty was received by Miss Elam, the Lady Superintendent of the Hospital.

We are glad that amongst the awards made by the Metropolitan Hospital Sunday Fund twenty-seven Nursing Associations are to receive grants, namely: Belvedere and Abbey Wood, £20 4s.; Brixton, £30 12s.; Central St. Pancras, £22 19s.; Chelsea and Pimlico, £30 12s.; Hackney, £30 10s.; Hammersmith and Fulham, £71 4s.; Hampstead, £32 19s.; Isleworth, £15 6s.; Kensington, £68 17s.; Kilburn, £15 6s.; Kingston, £48 5s.; Metropolitan (Bloomsbury), £76 10s.; St. Olave's (Bermondsey), £45 18s.; Paddington and Marylebone, £53 11s.; Plaistow, £122 8s.; Rotherhithe, £15 6s.; Shoreditch, £96 16s.; Silvertown, £22 19s.; South London (Battersea), £78 17s.; Tottenham, £17 13s.; Southwark, £30 12s.; South Wimbledon, £35 8s.; Westminster, £30 12s.; Woolwich, Plumstead, and Charlton, £55 14s.; East London, £244 4s.; North London, £84 3s.; London District, £459.

The executors of the late Mr. George Her-ring have decided to add £30,000 to the collection for distribution this year, which makes the total amount over £74,000, of which £68,134 is to be divided amongst 243 institutions.

The London County Council has issued a syllabus for a nursing curriculum in a volume entitled, "Nursing at Home," by Dr. J. D. E. Mortimer, F.R.C.S., and Dr. R. J. Collie. It is intended for the use of candidates for the Teachers' Certificate, and to provide practical information for home use, on such subjects as ventilation and other items with which intelligent adults should be acquainted.

The East Ham Branch of the Plaistow Nurses' Home is much in need of increased accommodation, and an effort is being made to raise funds for building a new Home. With the object of furthering this scheme, a garden party was held recently at the Mayor's residence by the kind permission of the Mayor and Mayoress, Alderman and Mrs. Carte. The Mayor, in welcoming the guests, said that suffering made the whole world kin, and he was sure all present sympathised with the objects of the Home. They could meet the nurses in all weathers trudging about to the various homes. Where there was sadness they carried joy, and helped people to bear up against their misfortunes. He hoped that the garden party would be the means of augmenting the funds. Lady Schwann then declared the garden party open, and a very pleasant afternoon was spent, amongst those present being Miss McQueen, Lady Superintendent of the Home, and Miss Davies, who is in charge of the East Ham Branch.

Mrs. Dingwall Fordyce, of Bucklay, presided last week at the Annual Meeting of the Maud District Nursing Association, which was influentially attended. In the course of her opening remarks, Mrs. Fordyce gave an account of the Miss Guthrie Wright Memorial Home for Queen's Nurses at Colinton, and described the work she had done for nursing in Scotland. The hon. secretary, Miss Fordyce, then read the third annual report, from which it appeared that from May 31st, 1906, to May 31st, 1907, the cases nursed had been 116, one operation had been attended, and 2,086 visits had been paid by the nurse. Miss Fordyce said a suggestion had been made that the Maud Association should follow the example of some other associations and engage a second nurse for some of the winter months to assist in the work during the short days and bad weather. Mrs. Kemp, hon. treasurer, submitted the financial report, which showed a total income of £175 0s. 1d. and expenditure of £110 8s. 8½d. Mrs. Russell of Aden moved the adoption of the report, and remarked that Nurse Macintosh, the new nurse, had been of much service in many cases, and had been doing good work in spite of the difficulty of worthily succeeding Nurse Wilson. Miss Katherine Lumsden, formerly Hon. Lady Superintendent at the Sick Children's Hospital, Aberdeen, then addressed the meeting, and congratulated the Society on its report. She said that the work of district nursing was a most splendid and devoted one, though involving hard work, and the happiness of nurses engaged in it was generally recognised.

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