

### The Complimentary Dinner to Miss Isla Stewart.

Arrangements for the Complimentary Dinner to Miss Isla Stewart are now well in hand, and so much interest in the event is being shown, that its success is already assured. The Georgian Hall and suite at the Gaiety Restaurant has been booked, and the date fixed for Friday, June the 26th. Reception at 7.30; dinner at 8. A number of distinguished guests, including gentlemen, are to be invited. Circulars will be sent out shortly, when it will be necessary to make early application for tickets, as the dining hall only seats 250 people.

The Dinner Secretary is Mrs. Walter Spencer, 35, Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, London, W., who will be pleased to answer any enquiries.

### League News.

Without drawing invidious distinctions between League Journals we must express our keen admiration for that issued by the Leicester Infirmary Nurses' League. It really is a model of what a League Journal should be. The paper is superb, printing fine, and illustrations and matter just what a member of a League must most enjoy. From the accounts of the recent most successful bazaar we note that the League stalls took £982 0s. 3d., a splendid result after much hard work.

To quote two interesting items:—

"The following notice was posted up outside a Hospital in Rome to catch the eye of tourists:

#### *Appelle to Charitables!*

"The Brothers so called, of mercy ask slender alms for the Hospital. They harbour all kinds of diseases, and have no respect to Religion."

The following is an extract from an old Minutes' Book of the Leicester Infirmary:

"The Governors have found from an accurate estimate that the expense of burying a corpse will amount to 12s. Every patient, therefore, upon admission is to deposit that sum in the hands of the Secretary, who will return it if the patient recovers!"

### Registered Nurses' Society.

At a meeting of the Committee held on Saturday, four members were fully elected, and seven members elected on probation. A discussion took place on the formation of a Registered Nurses' League, to meet the requirements of the new Constitution of the National Council of Nurses. It was decided to hold a meeting to discuss the matter, when the members were less busy.

### The Irish Nurses' Association.

The Annual General Meeting of the Irish Nurses Association, happily fixed for St. Patrick's Day, was held on Tuesday evening, at 86, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin, when Mrs. Kildare Treacy, the out-going President, whose year of office has been so fruitful in work for the good, both of the I.N.A., whose welfare she has closely at heart, and also for the profession at large, delivered an interesting address to a large and interested audience. She said in part:

#### THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

"The Association is to be congratulated upon an increase of 76 members during the past year. We may thus conclude that our Irish Nurses' Association is firmly fixed upon ground favourable to its growth, and has afforded ample reasons for its existence, as a centre for union and discussion, for educational purposes, and for the protection and defence of nursing interests. We realise almost daily how necessary it is to have such organisation and machinery at our disposal in these days, when nursing politics are pressing, and the greater number of such questions as arise must be dealt with at once.

"The Matrons' Association takes a prominent part, undertaking weighty and valuable work in the interests of both Associations, and we would emphasise the growth of influence arising from this concerted action."

Mrs. Treacy then referred to the keen appreciation shown of the valuable lectures kindly delivered from time to time by medical practitioners, to the useful work of the Library Committee, to the valuable services of Miss L. V. Haughton, Matron of Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Dublin, in connection with the Massage Section, and to the promising outlook of this branch of the work, also to the delightful fêtes chronicled by the Amusements Committee, the kind hostesses being Miss Kelly, Miss Huxley, Miss Haughton, Mrs. Manning, Miss Ramsden, and the members of the nursing staff at the Rotunda, Miss Hughes, and Miss Agnew, whose departure for San Francisco has made such a much felt social gap. China for the use of the members at entertainments has been presented by Miss Huxley, Miss MacDonnell, and Miss Ramsden, and Mrs. Kildare Treacy has presented a photographic group of the Irish Matrons, taken on the occasion of their being summoned to the Vice-Regal Lodge during the visit of her late Majesty Queen Victoria in April, 1900.

#### THE INTERNATIONAL NURSING CONFERENCE.

Mrs. Treacy said further: "The most

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