

spoke of the pleasure the Paris Conference had given, and said she hoped that a large party from Belfast would attend the International Conference of Nurses in London next year.

Votes of thanks to the retiring Vice-President, Miss Bostock, to the Finance Committee, and to the indefatigable Hon. Secretary, Miss Workman, to whose efforts much of the prosperity of the Branch is due, were passed with acclamation. Tea was then served in an adjoining room. Miss Lamont, Superintendent of Queen's Nurses, Ireland, who was passing through Belfast, looked in after the meeting, and was soon surrounded by a welcoming band of Queen's Nurses.

We learn that the new departure at Bordeaux, of a district nurse having for the first time begun to work in the homes of the poor, is the result of a father's grief. A cousin of Dr. Anna Hamilton recently lost an only son, aged only 21, at the Military Hospital at Versailles. He sent a sum of money for good works, and this, the best of good works—nursing the sick poor in their own homes—has been initiated by Dr. Hamilton. Success has been the immediate result, and no doubt before long visiting nurses will spread all over France, and much needed sanitation will follow.

Miss Brent, the President of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Ontario, was able to make the announcement at the Annual Meeting that the Society had attained to the dignity of incorporation. Those who are watching the progress of organisation amongst Canadian Nurses, will wish the Association increasing prosperity.

In Hiogo, Japan, a native gentleman offered to present the portrait of some distinguished man or woman to a primary school, according to the children's own choice. George Washington headed the list, but Miss Nightingale, the only woman whose name appeared, received thirteen votes.

Miss Margaret Edmunds writes from Seoul, in Korea, to the *American Journal of Nursing*: "Your opinion of the Manual of Nursing as published by the Medical Association of China is especially interesting since this very book is now nearly ready for publication in the Korean language. Korean women have proven their ability to become thoroughly good nurses. School diplomas and gold pins are now being made in America and will be presented next year to Korea's first graduate nurses."

Reflections.

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.



Her Majesty the Queen has sent a donation of £100 in response to the quinquennial appeal for the London Hospital. The Lord Mayor has undertaken to make a collection, and to give a dinner at the Mansion House on July 6th, and Madame Melba is giving a matinée concert on June 24th, the proceeds of which she has promised to give to the London Hospital.

The Queen has graciously consented to open the New Building of the Royal National Pension Fund for Nurses in Buckingham Street, Strand, on the afternoon of Saturday, July 4th, between the hours of three and four. Her Majesty will be accompanied by the King.

Lord Ludlow, the Treasurer, and the Almoners who act as the House Committee of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, have resigned office. The Treasurer found himself in opposition to the report of a Special Committee of Governors on the question of the efficiency of one of the hospital's officials, and has thus signified his disapproval of the decision of the Committee.

The Prince of Wales has forwarded a donation of £500 to the capital account of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London. His Royal Highness, in sending the donation, stated that he has been prompted to forward this additional donation by the recent noble gift of Lord Mount-Stephen to the Fund, and by the admirable suggestion made in his lordship's letter that the friends of the Fund should join in raising such a sum as would enable it to distribute £150,000 a year to the hospitals of London. Other gifts to the fund include a donation of £10,000 from Lord Iveagh.

The President of the Board of Education has appointed Miss Janet M. Campbell, M.D., to the Medical Department of the Board.

In the House of Commons last week, Mr. H. A. Watt, M.P. for Glasgow (College), called the attention of the Secretary for Scotland to the case of the dismissed resident medical officers at the Ruchill Hospital. Mr. Sinclair stated that they were not dismissed in connection with the irregularities forming the subject of the inquiry at the hospital, for which they were not responsible, but on other grounds, and he had no power to interfere with the discretion of the local authority.

The Eastern Division of the Glasgow and West of Scotland Branch of the British Medical Association have put down a resolution for consideration at the next meeting of the Branch Council expressing strong sympathy with the dismissed physicians, promising to contribute to their expenses, and requesting the Medical Secretary of the B.M.A. to put hospital medical appointments under the Corporation of Glasgow on their warning list.

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