

was an easy method, but it placed considerable power in the hands of a very small committee. The second course suggested was a much more constitutional one; the whole body of members assumed responsibility. She, therefore, was strongly in favour of the adoption of the second course.

A resolution, proposed by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and seconded by Miss H. L. Pearse, was carried *nem. con.*, which provides that the President shall be nominated by a ballot of the members of the League, and that the names of members who have consented to serve, and who receive not less than 12 nominations, shall be sent to every member who can thus exercise her franchise. Voting papers are to be returned to the President, scrutineers to be appointed by the Executive Committee, and the result of the election declared, at the Annual General Meeting.

Thus every member of the League has equal power in the choice and election of the President, a decision which will, we believe, commend itself to the members at large.

A PROPOSED BAZAAR.

A Sub-Committee, consisting of the President, Mrs. Walter Spencer, Mrs. Dunn, Miss Waind, Miss Clay, and Miss Clark (Sister Elizabeth) was appointed to consider a proposition to organise a Bazaar in aid of the "Nurses' Home Fund," and to report to the General Meeting in July.

THE SOCIAL GATHERING.

The Social Gathering was held in the Nurses' new Recreation Hall, which proved spacious enough to accommodate comfortably the large number of members and their guests, who assembled there, and thoroughly enjoyed a very happy and delightful time. The scrumptious tea was prettily set out on a number of little tables. Glorious fires and plenty of light contributed to the gaiety of the scene, and the time was all too short to see half enough of old friends.

THE LEAGUE OF ST. JOHN'S HOUSE NURSES.

The following Synopsis has been arranged by the League of St. John's House Nurses in connection with its Debating Society: February 24, "What is Gained by Travelling." March 23, "The Nursing of Neuritis, and its Complications." April 27, "Reflections on Miss Dock's History of Nursing." May 25, "What should be the Standard of Training for District Nurses?" July 6, "Are we degenerating as a Nation?" Oct. 26, "Are Week-end Trips Beneficial Mentally and Physically?" Nov. 23, "Motoring as a Recreation." Dec. 12, "Management and Nursing after Brain Operations."

The League of School Nurses.

A very cheery gathering of the School Nurses working under the London County Council took place at 431, Oxford Street, W., on Thursday, January 23rd. The special object was to consider the formation of a League of School Nurses, and in spite of the terrible fog only two of the whole staff were absent.

The Nurses, who were her guests, were received by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss Isla Stewart, and their Superintendent, Miss H. L. Pearse, and after tea the meeting was called to order, Mrs. Fenwick being voted to the chair.

In her brief words of welcome Mrs. Fenwick said how pleased she was that it had been possible for the nurses of the London County Council to meet together to consider organisation. The national importance of the special work in which they were engaged was second to none. So far they had been performing their duty as isolated units. Now, upon the suggestion of their public-spirited Superintendent, it was proposed that they should unite and form themselves into a League for mutual help and pleasure; that through such an organisation they should come into sympathetic touch with their fellow nurses, and with nurses helping the sick in other special branches. Mrs. Fenwick then described how Leagues of nurses were grouped together in National and International Councils, and the extraordinarily educating effect of international communication between the nurses of the world.

Miss Isla Stewart said that she was extremely interested in the organisation of nurses through their Leagues. Through them nurses learned to appreciate their personal and professional responsibility. The responsibilities of nurses were enormous—they concerned life and death. At the present time the workers were coming prominently forward, and nurses were a very important body of workers, whose education and status should be clearly defined. To School Nurses great responsibility had been given in connection with the young, and it was hardly yet realised to what an extent the health of London children affected the general well being, and to what an extent it affected the standard of adult health in the Metropolis.

A League such as that which was under discussion was a most educative thing. Pain had its part as an educational factor, but there was nothing more informing than pleasure properly applied. Membership of a League not only brought one into touch with others, and into line on professional matters, but was also a great source of personal pleasure.

She wished the London County Council Nurses God-speed in the formation of their League, and as much pleasure from it as Bart's Nurses had in theirs.

THE FORMATION OF THE LEAGUE OF SCHOOL NURSES.

The first business on the agenda was to consider a resolution: "That the League of School Nurses be now formed." This was proposed by

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