

dental chairs in London to deal with 900,000 children, at least 600,000 of whom required immediate attention in that respect. When the school clinics are established, as seems likely in the near future, the services of nurses will certainly be in demand in connection with them.

There was a large gathering at the Bradford Hall, Swindon, recently, to do honour to the late Matron of the Victoria Hospital, Miss Ackerley, who, after seventeen years of arduous work, met with an unfortunate accident, which caused her resignation of the position, and also to Miss Lewin, the late Head Nurse. Major Goddard, J.P., who presided, said that no lady could have done more for that Institution than Miss Ackerley had done. They knew how economically the Hospital had been managed year by year; indeed, it had been managed at less cost, perhaps, than any other hospital in England. They had been to the Hospital themselves, and they had seen the comfort the patients had always enjoyed, comfort which they gratefully remembered long after they had left.

Amid applause Miss Ackerley was conducted to the platform by the Mayor, and the Mayoress, in making the presentation, assured her of the sympathy of all her friends—the friends of the Hospital—and wished her health and happiness for many years.

Miss Ackerley warmly acknowledged the gift, which consisted of a purse of gold and a silver muffin dish, and the Mayor then conducted Miss Lewin on to the platform, and she also received a purse of gold at the hands of the Mayoress, who spoke in warm terms of the late Head Nurse's work, and wished her every happiness in the future.

Miss Cumming, Superintendent of the Portsmouth Association for Nursing the Sick Poor, recently gave an address at Southsea on the work of the Queen's Jubilee Institute. She said that at the beginning of the present year there were 1,537 Queen's Nurses at work, and, including probationers and midwives, there were 2,308. She gave the number of district associations as 800. Such addresses are most useful as by means of them the work of the Queen's Nurses becomes more widely understood and appreciated.

The annual meeting of contributors to the Scottish branch of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses was held recently in the Council Room, 29, Castle Street, Edinburgh. Sir Alexander R. Simpson presided. The report of the Council for the year ending October

31st stated that, as there was every prospect of the yearly rate of increase of the nurses being maintained at the average for the last six years—eleven new posts yearly—the Council had found it impossible to cope with the demand with the staff at present at their disposal. They had therefore acquired and furnished an adjoining flat, and arranged that two more Queen's Nurses should be trained every half-year. The flat had been purchased out of the funds bequeathed to the Institute by the late hon. secretary, Miss Guthrie Wright; and it was to provide the additional income required to cover present expenditure, and to meet the training of the four extra nurses that the Council appealed to the public. The number of Queen's Nurses on the Scottish roll was 308, exclusive of probationers in training.

Dr. W. F. and the Misses Spencer wish to express their heartfelt appreciation of the love and esteem shown to their late sister, Frances Elizabeth Spencer, in the beautiful memorial erected to her memory in Dollar Churchyard, by "Her Nurses, Fellow Workers, and Friends."

Bishop Donnelly presided recently at the Annual Meeting in connection with St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Home for Nurses, 34, Rutland Square West, Dublin. It was reported that during the past year the Home had fully maintained the position that it had won for itself among Dublin charities. The nurses had attended 1,350 cases. Of these, there were 806 recoveries, 155 were subsequently removed to hospital, and 106 cases were still on the books of the Home. The work was done by a staff ranging from 8 to 11 nurses, the number at present in the Home. Eleven candidates had been trained during the year for district work, and there were now 68 districts in Ireland in which there were nurses who had been trained in the Home. The Committee regretted to have to report that they had lost the services of their former Lady Superintendent, Miss Horan, who had resigned during the year, after a connection with the Home of ten years.

The following interesting item of news from Severance Hospital, Seoul, Korea, is reported by *Woman's Work*: "Closely following upon the graduation of the medical students came the capping exercises of seven Korean nurses at Severance Hospital, under the direction of Miss Shields. It was a ceremony of induction into the duties of their profession. Dr. Avison addressed the nurses, and after the capping ceremony Miss Shields gave them a charge. Another address was given by Mrs. Sin, a Korean teacher in the girls' school."

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