

Delegates to the International Congress of Nurses.

MISS THÉRÈSE TAMM.

LEADER OF THE SWEDISH DELEGATION.

We have great pleasure in publishing on this page the portrait of one of the distinguished fraternal delegates to the International Congress of Nurses in London next month, Miss Thérèse Tamm representing the Sophia Home, Stockholm, who has been appointed leader of the party of 40 Swedish delegates by the Committee formed under the patronage of her Majesty the Queen Dowager of Sweden, to arrange for the representation of Sweden at the Congress.

It will be remembered that in Paris the hope was expressed that the forthcoming meeting of the International Council of Nurses might be held in Stockholm, but eventually it was decided that the meeting should take place in London as easier and less expensive of access than the beautiful capital of Sweden, and also because it has a fully organised National Council which can carry out the many arrangements necessary to the organisation of such a Congress. But the part taken by Swedish nurses in the Congress, stimulated by Queen Sophia, the Queen Dowager, whose interest in all that concerns the nursing of the sick is deep and real, encourages the hope that, before long, Sweden, too, will have its own National Council of Nurses, ready to affiliate with the International, and to strengthen it by bringing to its service the qualities of thoroughness, simplicity, and sincerity, as well as personal charm, which for many generations have been the strength of the Scandinavian nations. Miss Tamm, the appointed leader of the Swedish delegates, was trained and certified as a nurse at the Sabbatsberg hospital, one of the General Hospitals of Stockholm. She is now a member of the Board of Directors of the Sophia Home, named after the Queen Dowager, of the Asylum for Pauvres Honteux, of the Home for the Aged, and of the Margareta Home for Epileptic-Idiotic Children. She has, therefore, wide interests in con-

nection with various branches of nursing, and as she also is well acquainted with English, a more acceptable delegate could scarcely have been chosen. Most of the forty delegates from Sweden are members of the Sophia Home, or the Red Cross Society, two of the best known institutions in Stockholm which not only act as training schools, but provide nursing work subsequently for their certificated nurses, and occasionally for other nurses as well. We learn from Miss Tamm that the Swedish nurses are greatly looking forward to the Congress, and their visit to England.

British nurses are also looking forward with keen pleasure to meeting their Swedish sisters and extending to them a cordial welcome to this country.



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Fraternal Delegate from Sweden to the International Congress of Nurses, London, 1900.

Miss Musson the wish of the League that she should accept the office of President, and on their return, with Miss Musson, Miss Hannath announced that she had accepted the Presidency. Miss Musson then expressed her thanks to the League for appointing her, and promised her interest in it, and its members, many of whom were then introduced to her.

As a member of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses, for some time on its Executive Committee, Miss Musson is well acquainted with the working of Leagues, and keenly interested in their progress. We congratulate the General Hospital Birmingham Nurses' League on its choice of a President, and wish it success and further development.

League News.

At the recent Annual Meeting of the General Hospital Birmingham Nurses' League, on the proposition of Miss Hannath, Matron of the General Hospital, Wolverhampton, seconded by Miss Marriott, Matron of the Eye Hospital, Birmingham, Miss E. M. Musson, Matron of the Hospital, was invited to become President of the League. A deputation, consisting of Mrs. Collier, Miss Marriott, Miss Hannath, Mrs. Boeddicker, and Miss McFarlane, were appointed to convey to

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