

sides it can be flooded with light when required. It lacks nothing that a modern operating theatre requires; nay more, it has what I have never seen in any theatre before, although obviously necessary—namely, an oxygen cylinder, mounted on a trolley, fitted with tubing and glass funnel, which stands ready for immediate application in case of emergency.

The *pièce de résistance* is perhaps the clock! I cannot give it sufficiently honourable mention except by quoting the words of a writer in a local paper:—

"It has four dials, 4 ft. in diameter, and strikes hours and Westminster quarters on five bells. The dials are glazed with white opal glass and are illuminated by electric light. The apparatus for turning on the lights at sunset and off again at sunrise is entirely automatic, and adjusts itself to the varying length of days. The striking work of the clock has been so arranged that the striking can be discontinued if required, and two cords lead down from the movement to the entrance hall, so that the striking can be stopped or started without ascending to the tower. In addition to the four dials on the tower, the clock also drives a dial 30 inches in diameter in the entrance hall, and also electrically controls a number of clocks throughout the building, so that they will all show uniform time."

This beautiful clock was the gift of a local gentleman.

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## International News.

There are few women in the nursing world held in more universal respect than Miss Nutting, of Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York. Her absence made a big gap at the Congress, not to be filled by any other personality, and the fact that she considers the reports of the Congress proceedings in this Journal "a very remarkable and brilliant piece of work," will compensate the editorial staff for a somewhat unusual effort. We have to thank the *Canadian Nurse* for re-publishing at length much of our official report, and also many other nursing journals from all over the world for the kind manner in which they have presented the events of that "wonder week" to their readers. The International Council of Nurses has now official journals in seven countries.

Miss Lina Mollett, from Capiapo, Chili, sends "Sincere congratulations on the splendid results of the Congress." It is good to know that nurses are being sympathetically encouraged in every quarter of the globe.

## Reflections.

### FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.

With the object of rendering financial assistance to the General Lying-in Hospital, York Road, Lambeth, an institution which is doing admirable work, a bazaar will be held at Camelford House, Hereford Gardens, Marble Arch, by permission of the Duke of Westminster, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, December 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. Princess Henry of Battenberg will perform the opening ceremony on the Thursday.

The sale of work at the Heritage School of Arts and Crafts for Crippled Girls at Chailey, Sussex, was held on Saturday. It is desired to raise some £8,000 for the purpose of building a modern school for the crippled boys to replace the one at present in use. The aim of these craft schools, which were founded by Mrs. C. W. Kimmins, is to enable specially afflicted and disabled members of the Guild who show particular talent to be thoroughly trained, and to become in time partially, if not wholly, self-supporting. A complete course in all branches of fine needle-work and children's dress-making is given to the girls, who also receive special teaching according to their capacity. A thorough training in woodwork and cabinet-making is given in the boys' school, and during their third year the boys specialise according to special ability shown.

The Hon. Blanche Curzon, who says she is passionately fond of children, has been unanimously appointed President of the Derbyshire Children's Hospital. This is the type of President the children will appreciate. The new Nurses' Home is being erected in the hospital grounds. It is urgently needed for the comfort of the nurses and domestic staff. Miss M. H. Archibald, M.D., has been appointed House Surgeon for the ensuing year. The Board desire to testify to the untiring energy and skill which the members of the Honorary Medical Staff continue to bestow on the patients, and tender them their heartfelt thanks. They also desire to record their appreciation of the diligent and careful way in which the Matron and nursing staff have carried out their duties.

The flourishing condition of the Dundee Private Hospital for Women was amply demonstrated at the annual meeting of subscribers. The objects of the hospital are to provide hospital treatment at a rate which will cover the cost of current expenses, and which will be within the reach of a large class of working women who are unable to pay the fees of private homes, and are unwilling to accept charity, and to give women an opportunity of being treated by women doctors. The record during the past twelve years of the successful treatment of surgical and medical cases is one of which any hospital might be proud.

The new Sanatorium at Davos for British consumptives was opened for the reception of patients on Monday.

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