

World-Wide Grief.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick wishes to express warm thanks to all those who have during the past fortnight written to her in terms of so much kindness concerning the death of their dear mutual friend, Miss Isla Stewart. She feels they will realise that it is from no lack of appreciation that she has not replied personally to them, and that she values their sympathy very deeply.

Surgeon-General W. L. Gubbins, C.B., M.V.O., Director-General of the Army Medical Service, has written to Lord Sandhurst, Treasurer of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, "on behalf of the Army Nursing Board for Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, to express their extreme regret at the news of the death of Miss Isla Stewart, who was so long one of its most respected and able members. The work, diligence, and admirable advice tendered by this lady on all occasions will ever be remembered."

Lady Truscott also wrote to Lord Sandhurst to express the deepest regret, and to say that Miss Stewart rendered to her, as Lady Mayoress of London, 1908-1909, the greatest assistance in forming a Nursing Service for the city in connection with the Territorial Forces, and to express her sincere sympathy with the Treasurer and Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

At a meeting of the Scottish Nurses' Association, held on 19th March, the President, Sir William Macewen, in his opening remarks, made sympathetic reference to the death of Miss Isla Stewart, and the Hon. Secretary was instructed to inform the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses of the sympathy of the Scottish Nurses' Association, and their sense of the great loss which the nursing world has sustained through the passing of Miss Stewart.

During the past week letters have been received from France, Italy, Holland, and Finland expressing the genuine grief occasioned by the news of Miss Isla Stewart's death. In every country where trained nursing exists she was affectionately esteemed as a woman, and revered as a professional leader. All deplore the loss of a dear friend—proving appreciation of her sympathetic personality—and the loss to the world of nursing.

The Baroness Mannerheim, President of the Finnish Nurses' Association, writes from Hel-singfors: "It seems almost incredible that she

is no more, the genial, kindly hostess who last summer gave us such a splendid welcome in the glorious old Hall at Bart's, that she who for years has been working so unselfishly for progress in nursing all over the world, will no longer be with us at the meetings of the International Council of Nurses.

The Finnish nurses, who were with me in London last summer, wish me to convey to you the expression of their deep concern and sympathy, in which I am one with them."

Miss Tilanus, President of the Dutch Nurses' Association, is deeply moved by the sad news, and considers the loss irreparable.

IN MEMORIAM OF ISLA STEWART.

A TRIBUTE,

With Sincere Sympathy.

Silently, sadly, slowly, lay her here a space,
Midst these hearts that loved her; 'tis her chosen place.

Tenderly leave her spirit, to the Father's care,
Sorrow, loss, and turmoil, cannot touch her there.

Tender with all suffering, upright, true as steel,
Ever with high courage, modest, full of zeal;
"Called," she made her calling, something near
sublime;

Crown her with yon laurels, leave her name to
Time.

See the silent watchers, gathered round her bed,
Hush, tread slowly, softly; leave them with their
dead.

Swiftly passed her spirit, to the realms of light,
Figh she held her standard, thro' the hard-won
fight.

Earth may bring its riches, rank may bring its
power,

But the Spirit giveth, gifts of greater dower.

"Called," she heard the summons; answered,
"Lord, I come!"

We in grief unite and say, "Lord, Thy will be
done."
MADGE SUTTON.

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