

Nursing Echoes.



On the occasion of the funeral of King Edward the Governors of St. George's Hospital (of which institution his late Majesty was patron), having in respectful and grateful remembrance the gracious and active interest which his late Majesty was pleased to take in all hospitals and desiring to mark their loyal sympathy with King George, decided to invite representatives of the larger voluntary London hospitals to be present at Hyde Park Corner during the Procession and at the Memorial Service in the Hospital Chapel after. The Chairman, Secretary, Matron, and two representatives of the nursing staffs received invitations which were in many instances accepted with great pleasure.

Miss McCall Anderson, the Matron, with the help of her sister, welcomed the guests with the utmost cordiality, at about 7.30 a.m., when tea and coffee were served. After the passing of the Procession, luncheon was provided, and a corps of neat nurses who were stationed in the hall, guided the guests to the wards where many were greatly interested in the good work of the hospital. We think this hospitality was a very happy thought, and it was greatly appreciated, especially by Matrons and nurses.

By the kindness and courtesy of the Committee of the General Hospital, Birmingham, a meeting of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland will be held at that fine institution in July. Miss Musson, the Matron, and Miss Mollett, have the arrangements in hand, and it is hoped that the members will have the pleasure of meeting Matrons from the surrounding hospitals, and of interesting them in the work of the Council. This promises to be an unusually interesting gathering, and we hope it may be an incentive to the authorities

of other important hospitals to give the Council the privilege of visiting such institutions, where much is to be seen and admired.

We have pleasure in presenting to our readers the accompanying portrait of Mrs. Klosz, R.N., the Editor of *The Nursing Journal of India*. Mrs. Klosz was trained at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, U.S.A., and is registered in the state of Maryland. She is also a member of the British Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, which she joined, not from any hope of personal benefit, but in order to help on the good work. Mrs. Klosz at present lives at Akola, C.P., India, and by undertaking the position of Editor of *The Nursing Journal of India* recently—a journal which promises to be of great benefit to nurses in India—has given fresh proof of her desire to serve her profession.



Mrs. W. H. KLOSZ, R.N.,
Editor of "*The Nursing Journal of India*."

Miss Stansfeld, inspector to the Local Government Board, after three inspections, has made a report on the nursing arrangements at the Mile End Infirmary, which, in her opinion, are urgently in need of re-organisation. Miss Stansfeld states:—

"I was not satisfied as to the methods of ward administration and nursing, or that the nurses had a sufficient acquaintance with the principles of surgical cleanliness. The ward sisters or charge nurses have all received their training at the Mile End Infirmary, and have had no experience of nursing outside its walls. I feel sure that the nursing at this infirmary has suffered from this cause. Many of the probationers are not educationally fitted to profit by the instruction in such studies as anatomy, physiology, and the theory of nursing. Also, I regret to say, I have evidence of a very unsatisfactory tone among them. As a staff they have little respect for authority, and are always at variance among themselves."

Miss Stansfeld is of opinion that the staff is numerically insufficient, and states that she observed patients who need the most careful skilled nursing instead of the hurried attendance which is all that is possible at present. She adds, on the information of the assistant medical officer, that the morning washing of

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