

of the beds vacant on her return, she roused the Charge Nurse and went down to the boy's home. The parents refused to let the boy return that night, but he did so next day.

Councillor Tapp said it was no explanation to say, as had been urged, that the boy was a naughty boy. The staff should be able to manage a boy of twelve. There was great neglect somewhere.

Dr. Anna Hamilton, in *La Garde Malade Hospitalière* gives an interesting account of the method of examination, and the classification of pupils, in the nursing school of the Protestant Hospital, Bordeaux, both in practical work and theory (the latter in two sections). The pupils who headed the list at the last examination were Mlle. Bryant, Mlle. C. Mignot, and Mlle. Larribau.

In the same journal, Miss Elston describes a visit which she paid to the Civil and Military Hospital of Elbeuf, in the Seine-Inferieure, in order to see the work of the brave band of Bordeaux nurses to whom three years ago the laicisation of this hospital was entrusted. She was met at the station by the Directrice, Mlle. Gonthier, a former pupil, and the cheftaines who were assembled in the hospital, bombarded her with questions concerning their former training school.

*The Canadian Nurse* for July is largely devoted to the report of the proceedings of the Fourth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses, held in the Residence of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto. Miss L. C. Brent, President, was in the chair, and the Address of Welcome was given by Mr. John Ross Robertson, President of the Hospital Board. In her Presidential Address, Miss Brent referred to the loss sustained by the nursing profession through the deaths of Mrs. Hampton Robb, Miss Isla Stewart, and their own efficient Secretary, Mrs. House, concerning whose work a paper was read at a later stage in the proceedings by one of her pupils, Miss Edgar.

Miss Amy Downey, owner of the new Nurses' Residential Home, 44, Norfolk Square, W., informs us that the position recently held by her at the Mental Nurses' Co-operation, 49, Norfolk Square, was that of Matron, the Co-operation and the Home being under the same management. She is prepared to substantiate this statement, and her solicitor, Mr. W. Gipps Kent, of 11, Gray's Inn Place, has informed the solicitors of the Superintendent, Miss Hastie, that he is ready to accept service on her behalf.

## Reflections.

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.

The King and Queen have been pleased to become Patrons of Charing Cross Hospital, the Royal Dental Hospital of London, and the Italian Hospital.

His Majesty has also granted his patronage to the Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital, and the German Hospital, Dalston, and the Queen has become Patron of the Royal Ear Hospital.

The King has intimated his intention of increasing his yearly subscription to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London from £500 to £1,000.

The Prince of Wales has forwarded a subscription of £100 to the same Fund.

The following gentlemen have accepted the invitation of the Lord Mayor (Sir John Knill) to serve on the Mansion House Committee for providing a memorial in London of the late King:—The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Duke of Fife, Lord Rothschild, Lord Iveagh, Sir Ernest Cassel, Sir James Gildea, Sir Thomas Barlow (President of the Royal College of Physicians), Mr. H. T. Butlin (President of the Royal College of Surgeons), the Presidents of the Law Society, the Royal Academy, and the Chamber of Shipping, the Governor and Deputy-Governor of the Bank of England, the Chief Rabbi, Sir H. Beerbohm Tree, and most of the London Mayors.

A scheme is favoured in Edinburgh, and it is understood may be approved in Glasgow also, for the improvement of Holyrood Palace as a memorial to King Edward VII. It is hoped that the Palace may be rendered suitable for occupation by the King and Queen for a short period each year.

It has been unanimously resolved that in memory of the late King Edward VII. steps shall be taken to raise a sufficient sum to pay off the debt upon the "King Edward VII. Hospital" at Windsor, to endow the same, and to erect a statue to his late Majesty on the grounds in front of the hospital.

The Special Correspondent of the *Times* writes that Doctor Tversen, who has been successfully applying Ehrlich's specific 606 at the Kalinkin Hospital in St. Petersburg, reports that marvellous results have followed the injection of the same remedy into the veins of patients suffering from recurrent typhoid, a disease which affects many who recover from cholera. Of 50 patients so treated 98 per cent. have completely recovered.

The third International Congress of School Hygiene in Paris adopted a series of resolutions relating to the instruction of teachers in hygiene, compulsory physical education in both boys' and girls' schools, and graduated lessons in matters of sex, beginning with natural history and leading up to complete instruction for advanced pupils.

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