

Nursing Echoes.



At a meeting of the Court of Common Council, held on the 22nd inst., at the Guildhall, E.C., the Lord Mayor presiding, the following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

“That a scholarship be established at St. Thomas’s Nursing Home in connection with the City of London Schools to perpetuate the memory of the late Miss Florence Nightingale, and that it be referred to the City of London Schools Committee to consider and report as to the best means of establishing a scholarship, with power to confer with the Coal, Corn, and Finance Committee thereon.”

“That it also be referred to the City Lands Committee to consider and report whether a bust, portrait, or other memorial of the late Miss Nightingale should be provided to be placed within the Guildhall.”

A deputation waited on the Lord Mayor of Liverpool on the same date, and asked him to convene a public meeting in support of the movement to establish a memorial in the city to Miss Nightingale, to take the form of a new nursing home to bear her name in connection with the Queen Victoria Nursing Association. The Lord Mayor agreed to convene a meeting for October 13th.

Next month the headquarters of the Territorial Force Nursing Service will be located at the War Office, where Miss Sidney Browne, R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief, will for the future have her office.

We are informed that a Conference on the Feeding of Nurses in Hospitals and similar institutions will be held at Caxton Hall, Westminster, on Saturday afternoon, November 5th. The arrangements for the gathering, which will be held under the auspices of the National Food Reform Association, are in the hands of a representative Committee. Full particulars will be announced later.

The Swansea Guardians have decided to request the authorities of the University of Wales to take steps for holding an examination and issuing certificates in nursing.

The beautiful gardens of Saltram House, near Plymouth, were the scene of an interesting

ceremony last week, when Earl Fortescue presented certificates to fifteen ladies of the staff of the Fourth Southern General Hospital (Territorial Force), whose headquarters are at Plymouth. At the same time, medals were pinned on their breasts by Lady Mary Parker.

The nurses and their friends were entertained to tea, and the ceremony was performed on the lawn. The ladies who were recipients of the certificates and decorations were Miss E. Smale (Principal Matron), Miss M. Hainselin and Miss E. Fortescue (Matrons), Sisters Hutchings, Wilson, Blackler, Jenkins, Stidston, Kirkpatrick, and Ninness, and Nurses Davies, Robins, Parker, Lilly, and Osborne.

The movement for providing a permanent home for the Worthing District Nurses, as a memorial to the late Sir Henry Aubrey-Fletcher, is making good progress. It has been decided that the home shall be named “The Aubrey-Fletcher Memorial Home for Queen’s Nurses.” The formal opening will take place during the first week in November.

A conference was recently held in the lecture room of the Young Women’s Christian Association, Sheffield, called to consider the formation of a branch of the Nurses’ Union. Invitations had been sent to many trained nurses and those who accepted were welcomed in the new bright rooms of the institute, which had been decorated for the occasion with plants and flowers. Mrs. Mozley, head of the North of England department of the Nurses’ Union, came from Newark to explain its working. During the sessions of the conference refreshments were served and solos were sung by Miss S. A. Birch, L.R.A.M., Miss Cook, Miss Boothby, and the Misses Payne. As a result of the conference a sitting room in the institute is set apart for nurses where they may feel perfectly at home, and engage in work or recreation, or meet friends. Certain days in the month are set apart for “quiet times.” Miss Harbord, resident secretary, will be glad to give further particulars to any nurse calling at 35, High Street, Sheffield.

On Wednesday, 21st September, Miss Shuter and Miss Reed were “At Home” to the members of the Irish Nurses Association, at Ivanhoe, Lansdowne Road, Dublin. A very large number of the members availed themselves of this kind invitation, and a delightful afternoon was spent. After tea the guests adjourned to the beautiful grounds of the Home, where spirited contests

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