

## An Address Not to be Missed.

### NURSING IN AMERICA, & STATE REGISTRATION.

We have the greatest pleasure in announcing that Dr. Winford H. Smith, until recently Medical Superintendent of Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, New York City, and who has been appointed Superintendent of the celebrated Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, U.S.A., has most kindly consented to address an audience of nurses on Friday evening next on "Nursing in America, and State Registration," at the Medical Society's Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W. Dr. Winford Smith is only to be in London for one week, so that we may consider ourselves highly favoured in having an opportunity of hearing this eloquent medical speaker and teacher, who is well known throughout America as a great advocate for high standards of nursing education and efficiency.

The meeting is convened by the National Council of Trained Nurses, and Miss M. S. Rundle, Isla Stewart Scholar at Teachers' College, and a pupil of Dr. Winford Smith, will preside and introduce the lecturer. This appears to us a very interesting international episode.

## The Territorial Force Nursing Service.

A delightful garden party was given by Lady Truscott to the Territorial Force Nursing Service for the City and County of London at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Regent's Park, on Wednesday, July 12th, to meet the Lady Mayoress and the Executive Committee. The weather was perfect. Lady Truscott, who, with Sir George Wyatt Truscott, received the guests, was, as ever, gracious, kindly, and the soul of hospitality, the programme of music, played by the Band of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, most finely rendered, and a pleasant breeze circulated in the tents, where iced coffee and other iced drinks, strawberries and cream, ices, delicious cakes, and sweets, and other good things, were enjoyed at leisure at little tables, in plenty of space, so that friends could meet and renew old acquaintances in the most delightful fashion.

To complete the enjoyment of the afternoon, the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Lord Mayor (Sir T. Vezey Strong), arrived about six o'clock, and the nurses in their uniforms, headed by the Matron-in-Chief, Miss Sidney Browne, R.R.C., and the Principal Matrons of the four General Hospitals for the City and County of London, Miss Cox Davies, Miss

Davies, Miss Barton, and Miss Ray, at Lady Truscott's expressed wish, assembled round her to help to receive the Lady Mayoress.

Shortly afterwards, the Secretary of State for War, Viscount Haldane, honoured the party with his presence, and, at the request of Lady Truscott, spoke a few words to the assembled nurses.

### LORD HALDANE'S ADDRESS.

Lord Haldane expressed the pleasure it gave him to meet the nurses who were an integral and very important part of the Territorial Forces. We know, said the Secretary of State for War, what the Army Medical Service and the Royal Army Medical Corps have done in preventing the wastage of war.

Should the country ever be invaded, and the general hospitals mobilised, they will be the backbone of the Service, and we shall depend upon the nurses, with others, to keep up the strength of the Force by sending back the fighting men to the front. In the old days, if a man were wounded he was out of that campaign. Now a very large percentage of men come back to the front, and that is due to the skill and science which nurses bring to bear upon the work of restoring them to health and strength.

So much for time of war, now about time of peace.

We depend upon you, who form a great part of the Territorial Force, as upon others, to put the Force before the nation as a part of the nation, penetrating its very life—the life of its sons and daughters. That is why I am so glad to meet you here to-day. We want a military organisation which is part of the life of the country itself, and I feel that I have a part of the Territorial Force before me, quite as real as those who make war in battle.

### THE LORD MAYOR.

The Lord Mayor said it is always difficult to say a few appropriate words, and it is especially difficult to come after Lord Haldane, who has the knack of saying the most appropriate things in the fewest words. I have the honour to represent a portion of the Territorial Force, that of the City of London, and I believe that some of the ladies present are associated with me in that connection. One is glad when the oldest of the old adapts old institutions to meet modern needs, to take a hand in the latest movements. I have for long had a profound admiration for the nurses of this country, and believe that there is no profession to which ladies can devote their great abilities to greater profit. The world in general and the male sex in particular are profoundly your debtors.

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