

on the first day by Lady Ellenborough, and on the second by Mrs. M. Lloyd. Most excellent work is done by the fully trained nurses on this staff.

Mrs. Gerald Maude, who is furnishing the Nurses' Stall at the "Rose" Bazaar in aid of the Hospital for Women and Children, 283, Harrow Road, W., makes a very earnest appeal for the co-operation of nurses, and will be thankful to receive either (a) a small contribution, or (b) two garments, if sent to her at 50, Onslow Gardens, S.W. The Bazaar will be held at the Knightsbridge Hotel on June 27th and 28th.

The Rev. Robert Francis Lynes, formerly curate of Fleet, near Weymouth, who died leaving estate of the gross value of £64,318, left to his nurse, Winifred May Salter, £500, if living with him at his death, two houses and two cottages, a piece of land, and certain personal effects and furniture. She had nursed his "dear wife tenderly for two years, and since her death ministered with much loving care" to him.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught last week paid a visit to London in Canada, and amongst the various ceremonies in which they took part, His Royal Highness the Governor-General of the Dominion presented the graduate nurses of the Victoria Hospital with their diplomas.

Mr. Masterman, Secretary to the Treasury, has stated in the House of Commons that the Insurance Commissioners will issue a statement at as early a date as possible, dealing with the main classes of engagement of nurses, and which are not exempt from the compulsory clauses of the National Insurance Act. The sooner the better, as thousands of nurses are still living in hope that they may escape the tax, and are therefore not joining Approved Societies. The Act comes into force on the 15th of July next.

The American Nurses' Association is holding its great Annual Convention at Chicago this week, when a new President will be elected and a wonderfully progressive programme will be discussed. The American nurses have proved how an unselfish professional policy can consolidate and raise the whole fabric of nursing. Throughout the whole Republic they are practically one in convictions, in conscience, in sympathy, and aspiration. They have accomplished more than any other nation for the

welfare of the sick, just because of their courage and vitality. No bribery and no corruption, stand shoulder to shoulder, has been their watchword and their policy—and it has paid. Their standard is their own, their economic condition is of their choice, their wonderful Journal is their own, and they simply cannot be bribed to touch the quack nursing press. Here is a splendid example of common-sense for the nurses of all nations to emulate.

SCOTTISH MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting was held on Saturday, June 1st, at the Royal Infirmary, Stirling. The President, who was in the chair, made a sympathetic reference to the absence, through ill-health, of Miss Peebles, Matron of the Infirmary. Twenty-six members were present. Five new members were elected. Two members were nominated to represent the Association at Cologne, in August—Miss Melrose, Vice-President of the Association, Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow; and Miss Graham, Hon. Sec., Matron of the Scottish Association of Trained Nurses, Edinburgh. The members were much gratified to learn that Miss Gill had been asked to serve on the Advisory Committee to the National Health Insurance Commission, Scotland. This appointment has given great satisfaction to the nursing profession in Scotland, as they recognize that it secures direct representation for nurses. The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to Miss Peebles for her hospitality in providing an excellent tea, and to the President for presiding. Tea was then served, and a visit paid to the delightfully comfortable-looking wards and Nurses' Home.

Afterwards a drive was arranged, by the kindness of the Managers of the Hospital, to the Convalescent Home, and field of Bannockburn. This was an unexpected treat, and was greatly appreciated. A good many members visited the ever interesting East and West Churches, the Ladies' Rock, and the Castle.

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THE "UNIFORM" PENSION SCHEME FOR NURSES.

No nurse should insure for an Old-Age Pension without careful consideration and comparing various schemes. The Uniform Pension Scheme for Nurses is apparently most advantageously arranged for them, and all information concerning it can be obtained through the Secretary of the Trained Nurses' Insurance Institute, 90, Cannon Street, London, E.C.

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