

(2) A small capitation fee with some payment for special services.

(3) Payment for special services with a small capitation fee.

(4) Payment by attendance only.

The difference between (2) and (3), it is explained, is that in the former the capitation fee, though small, is the main basis of the proposal; in the other the main basis is the payment for special services.

In the meantime, the medical profession are standing firm for just conditions of work and pay.

THE GRESHAM LECTURES, 1912.

The four lectures to be delivered by Dr. F. M. Sandwith, Gresham Professor of Physic, on the Relief of the Sick and Wounded in Time of War, should be of unusual interest to nurses—and as they are given free in the City of London School, Victoria Embankment, E.C., at 6 p.m., many will no doubt attend.

SYLLABUS OF LECTURES.

LECTURE I.—Tuesday, October 15th.

EARLY HISTORY, B.C. 450—A.D. 1854.

Early records of standing armies and of military surgeons. The field hospitals of Queen Isabella I. in 1487. Surgeons, like Ambroise Paré, voluntarily attached to the French army. Little care for the wounded in Napoleonic wars. General Marbot's account of his own gun-shot wound. Inefficiency in London and at the front at the outbreak of the Crimean war. Russell's fearless letters to the *Times*.

LECTURE II.—Wednesday, October 16th.

MODERN HISTORY, A.D. 1855—1871.

Introduction of women into military hospitals by Mr. Sidney Herbert. The crusade of Miss Florence Nightingale and other ladies. Red-tapeism yielding to permanent reforms. Reduction of army mortality. Mr. Dunant's visit to Solferino in 1859. His organization after the battle and his book. Valuable aid rendered to wounded by volunteers during the American Civil War. The International Congress at Geneva in 1864. The Schleswig-Holstein campaign and the war between Prussia and Austria. British Red Cross assistance in the Franco-Prussian war.

LECTURE III.—Thursday, October 17th.

RECENT HISTORY, A.D. 1876—1912.

National Aid Society's surgeons in the Turko-Servian war, 1876. Stafford House Surgeons in the Russo-Turkish war, 1877-8; Zulu war, 1879-1881. The Egyptian campaigns. The war between Greece and Turkey, 1897. Sudan Expedition, 1898. The South African war, 1899-1902. The Italo-Turkish war. St. John Ambulance Association. The British Red Cross Society. Foreign Red Cross Societies.

LECTURE IV.—Friday, October 18th,

will be devoted to showing lantern slides which illustrate the previous lectures.

TWENTY-ONE YEARS' GOOD WORK.

PRESENTATION TO MISS RICHARDSON.

There have been many delightful gatherings at the London Temperance Hospital, Hampstead Road, but Saturday, September 29th, was indeed a unique occasion, for a goodly number of past and present Nurses gathered together in the Out-patient Hall to do honour to their Matron, Miss Richardson, on the completion of her twenty-first year's work among them.

For many weeks Sister Dora, the Senior Sister, whose own record of work in this hospital is an unbroken one of over twenty years, had been working to bring as many nurses as possible into touch with the suggestion of commemorating the event by a Party, and a Presentation to Miss Richardson. The result was a wonderful gathering at which Miss Orme, the first Matron, and Miss Lucas, her successor, were present, and a large number of past Sisters and Nurses, including several Matrons of important hospitals. Many of the guests wore indoor uniform, which greatly added to the interest. The hall was most delightfully decorated with autumn leaves and berries, and lovely chrysanthemums, and over the little stage on which the two former Matrons were supported by Miss Richardson and the Sisters, hung a beautiful device: "Long live our Matron, 1891-1912." After the singing of a specially adapted glee by a choir of nurses trained by Sister Rose, called "Follow on, our Matrons Lead," two beautiful bouquets made by Sister Mildred were presented to Miss Orme, and Miss Lucas by Sister Dora, who in a few words emphasized the unusual character of the proceedings, and the wonderful response to her letters from the old nurses. Letters and telegrams from many others unavoidably detained were read, and Sister Dora then presented Miss Richardson with a book, illuminated by Sister Helen, containing the names of all who had contributed to the gifts. An address, specially written by a former Sister, now a Matron, was then read, thanking Miss Richardson for all she had been and done, reminding her that to live in the hearts and lives of those she had trained was to live for ever, and that her work would go on long after her own hands were folded in stillness, and asking her acceptance of some gifts which were to speak of love and gratitude which were eternal.

Sister Helen then stepped forward and presented a beautiful gold watch suitably inscribed, a silver cream jug and sugar basin, a cruet and butter dish, and a travelling trunk were in turn presented by Sisters Mildred, Adeline, Florence and Iris. This was followed by the presentation of a beautiful tea tray by the cook in the name of the household staff, "in recognition of your justness and kindness to us at all times."

Miss Richardson, who seemed quite overcome, said a few words of thanks, and Miss Orme spoke of the pride she felt in seeing one of her own

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