

sitting there on his apparently home-made vehicle, attired in his shaggy goat skin cap and coat, he resembled an up-to-date Robinson Crusoe dandling an infant Friday." He determines to save the babe from the *Enfants Trouvés*, and takes it instead to the landlady of an hotel. She stared in stupefaction at the stocking cap and the pyjamas in which Aristide had clothed it. Aristide smiled his most engaging smile:

"My son's luggage has unfortunately been lost. His portmanteau, *pairvre petit*, was so small."

Perhaps this is the most fascinating of all the adventures. After a year or two he married the lady who adopted little Jean; having no address himself, he had found it impossible to find shelter for the babe.

After the wedding Aristide darted to the altar rails, caught Jean up in his arms: "Put your hands together as you do when you are saying your prayers, *mon brave*, and say 'God bless father and mother.'"

H. H.

BREAD AND ROSES.

"Bread for all, and Roses too."—*Chicago Women Trade Unionists.*

As we come marching, marching, in the beauty
of the day,
A million darkened kitchens, a thousand mill-
lofts grey
Are touched with all the radiance that a sudden
sun discloses,
For the people hear us singing, "Bread and
Roses, Bread and Roses."

As we come marching, marching, we battle too
for men—
For they are women's children, and we mother
them again.
Our lives shall not be sweated from birth until
life closes—
Hearts starve as well as bodies; give us bread,
but give us Roses!

As we come marching, marching, unnumbered
women dead
Go crying through our singing the ancient song
of Bread,
Small art and love and beauty their drudging
spirits knew—
Yes, it is bread we fight for, but we fight for
Roses too.

As we come marching, marching, we bring the
Greater Days.
The rising of the women means the rising of the
race;
No more the drudge and idler—ten that toil where
one reposes,
But a sharing of life's glories: Bread and Roses,
Bread and Roses!

—JAMES OPPENHEIM,

In the *American Magazine.*

COMING EVENTS.

December 12th.—Territorial Force Nursing Service, City and County of London. Meeting of the Grand Council, Mansion House. 3.30 p.m.

December 13th.—Penal Reform League. Annual Meeting, Caxton Hall, S.W. 8 p.m.

December 14th.—Dinner, Guest of Honour, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, given by members of the Nursing Profession. Mrs. Walter Spencer in the Chair. Hotel Cecil, Strand, W.C. 7.30 p.m.

December 16th.—Central Midwives Board. Examination, Caxton House, Westminster, S.W. The Oral Examination follows in a few days.

December 17th.—Irish Nurses' Association. Lecture: "Poor Law from the Twentieth Century Standpoint," by Mrs. Dickie, 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. 7.30 p.m.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not in any way hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

THE SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF TRAINED NURSES — PROPOSED "NIGHTINGALE" PRIZE.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—In order to develop the usefulness of the Society in the direction of nursing education, it was resolved at the annual business meeting, held on September 28th, to take steps for the purpose of endeavouring to raise a fund for the provision of a prize, or prizes, for competition among nurses.

A movement during recent years on the part of hospitals to provide post-graduate lectures is a strong proof of the necessity that nurses should keep themselves abreast in the practical and theoretical knowledge of their work. But, much as post-graduate lectures do in this respect, they can only be taken advantage of by a limited proportion of nurses in Scotland. Private nurses often find difficulty in suiting their off-duty hours to those of lectures, district nurses are frequently subject to the same disadvantage, while those working in the distant highlands and islands are cut off from all educational advantages connected with their profession.

In view of these facts, the Society feels confident that support will be extended to its endeavours to supplement hospital education in providing encouragement in the form of competition which may be shared in by all trained nurses.

The form which prizes may ultimately take depends upon the support which the Society's appeal receives; but in the first instance it is proposed to establish a medal for annual competition, to be known as the Scottish Society of Trained Nurses "Nightingale" Prize. As it is

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