

HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR IS DUE.

MRS. ELIZABETH FRY.

We have pleasure in presenting on this page a picture of the Statue of Mrs. Elizabeth Fry, unveiled on Thursday in last week in the central hall of the Central Criminal Court by the Countess of Dudley, a member of the Gurney family to which Mrs. Fry belonged and which has produced so many noble men and women.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fry will mainly be remembered for her great work for prison reform, and it is fitting that it should be commemorated in the place where her noble and forceful influence changed pandemonium into order, and brought comfort to many who in those semi-barbarous times—so far as the criminal law is concerned—suffered the extreme penalty of the law for most trivial offences. But the sympathies of this great Quaker lady were wide, and the nursing of the sick, as well as the care of the criminal, owed an impetus to her influence. The Institution for Nursing Sisters, 4, Devonshire Square, E.C., owes its foundation mainly to her wisdom, and nurses are proud that they can claim a share in the work of this illustrious reformer.

The Statue rests on a base of Sicilian marble and represents Mrs. Fry in the simple Quaker garb, and close fitting cap, which is at once so becoming and so unpretentious. To get the right atmosphere the artist has attended meetings of the Society of Friends and has had as models a cap and shawl belonging to the great philanthropist.

Statues of women in this country are rare—Boadicea, Florence Nightingale, Sister Dora, are among the very few women who have been

accorded places of honour among the crowd of men whose statues meet us at every turn. It is right that Elizabeth Fry should be added to their number, and that the statue should have been received, on behalf of the city of London by the Lord Mayor who attended the ceremony in state for the purpose of accepting the gift. Many of the citizens of London have wrought noble and courageous deeds, and received the thanks and

the recognition of their fellow citizens, but the city never had a more illustrious inhabitant than the woman who never possessed the right of citizenship, but whose personality is stamped for ever on the prison system at Newgate, and on the Institution for Nursing Sisters, also within the city boundaries. Lastly, it should be mentioned that the statue is the gift of a woman who prefers to remain anonymous, and thus it has been reserved for one of her own sex, to fittingly honour the great philanthropist.



STATUE OF MRS. ELIZABETH FRY,
CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

RESIGNATION.

By the resignation of Miss E. McCall Anderson, R.R.C., of the position of Matron of St. George's Hospital, the Matronship of one of the London hospitals with medical schools attached becomes vacant and there will, no doubt, be many candidates for this desirable post. Miss McCall Anderson has held the position since November, 1907. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Dundee and worked in South Africa during the war being awarded the Royal Red Cross for her services there. After holding, on her return, the post of

Sister in her own training school, she was appointed Sister, and subsequently Assistant Matron at St. George's Hospital, where she did Matron's duties. She resigned on her appointment as Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and later returned to St. George's as Matron.

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