School, and had been missing since Saturday, July 31st, was found by a shepherd, on Tuesday afternoon last week, on an isolated part of She was in a very exhausted Ilkley Moor. condition and very ill, and was taken to the Ilkley Coronation Hospital. She was sufficiently conscious to make people understand that she had been for a considerable time without food and had been drinking rain water, and it was evident that she had been on the moor for some days. Miss Fletcher was leaving Ilkley, and when the school closed for the holidays she was expected to be going to friends at Dewsbury. When she was missed on July 31st her boxes were found to be packed and labelled, and her purse was lying on a table.

## THE SWEDISH PHYSICAL TRAINING COLLEGE.

Some eighteen months ago, Madame Bergman Osterberg, the principal and founder of the well-known Swedish Physical Training College at Dartford, desired to relinquish the active direction of the work of her college. In so doing, she wished in the national interest to secure the continuation of the work which had been so successfully established and developed. With this purpose in view she generously offered, with the full approval and sympathy of her husband, Dr. Edwin Osterberg, of Stockholm, to transfer her college to the Government. For reasons in no way connected with the college, it was found impracticable to accept the offer, and Madame Osterberg was advised to create a trust. Almost her last act before her death was to sign the trust deed, vesting her property in a trust with the object of carrying on the college in the national interest on its existing lines, and maintaining the traditions The trustees appointed already established. are:—Dr. Christopher Addison, M.P., Mr. Waldorf Astor, M.P., Sir George Newman, M.D., the Marchioness of Salisbury, and the Right Hon. Lord Shaw of Dunfermline. While the ultimate control of the institution rests with the trustees, the general management and working of the institution will be placed in the hands of an executive committee of ten persons representative of various official and other bodies concerned with the physical education of women.

The next course of instruction in electrical treatment at the Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, Maida Vale, commences on September 3rd, and the application for admission should be addressed to the Secretary.

## OUR FOREIGN LETTER.

## LETTER VI.—ECHOES OF THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE.

DEAR MADAM,—In the midst of so much that was interesting, it is not easy to specify definitely what were the chief features of interest of each day. I can at least say that one of the chief features of Tuesday, June 22nd, was the joint meeting of the three Organizations in the Festival Hall, Exposition Grounds, at 8 p.m. It is one of the many fine buildings of the Exposition, and it was filled with an appreciative audience, mostly nurses; Miss Noyes, President of the National League of Nursing Education, presided. The programme was charmingly varied by intervals of instrumental music, commencing with an organ solo by Dr. Maurice O'Connell. Mr. Brown, a member of the Board of Directors of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, presented to the American Nurses' Association, on behalf of his Board, a handsome bronze medal, to commemorate the Convention coinciding with the Exposition. The presentation was made to Miss Goodrich, who replied on behalf of the Association. After thanking the donor for the high honour conferred, she briefly epitomized the aims and objects of the three nursing organizations, and again expressed her regret that the tragedy of war was keeping many of the foreign delegates away. She emphasized the importance of public health nursing; she reminded her audience that a great social effort is being made to prevent sickness, and to improve and preserve the health of the people; and her concluding remark was what one might expect from a Professor of Nursing —"Our effort is to prepare the woman for her great and responsible work." Dr. Edwin Snyder, Commissioner of Vocational and Industrial Educa-tion, California, gave an address upon the "Vocational Trend of Education." On the following day, a very interesting event took place. After the morning sessions and a hurried lunch, we all went by steamer to the mainland, and then by a short railway journey to Berkeley—where is situated, in a beautiful wooded environment, the University of California. By the courtesy of the President, we were allowed to hold a joint meeting in the magnificent Greek theatre there. This was a great and peculiar honour, because it was the first time that women had spoken there! A generous programme of music was again provided for us. The "Knickerbocker Male Quartet" sang delightfully, to the accompaniment of the sweet notes of the oriole and linnet in the trees close by. This meeting was to have been—but for the sad circumstance of War—a truly international one, and one of great significance. It was intended, as many of our readers know, to have been the occasion of making an offering of money from nurses all over the world, to found a Florence Nightingale Chair of Nursing. Miss Goodrich, President of the International Council of Nurses, who presided, of course referred to this fact. The

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