

NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE "CAMP."

"Old Jordan's Hostel," an old red house peeping from amid cherry trees laden with bunches of fruit, all around meadows starred with flowers, cornfields aflame with scarlet poppies and blue chicory, and lanes festooned with honeysuckle and wild roses, such was the scene of the N.M.L. Camp this year, and the old-world building, the old barn, fully three hundred years old, the neighbouring meeting house where William Penn preached and near to which he lies buried, all these seemed to surround the place with a spirit of peace. No more restful place could have been desired by the company of nurses who gathered there from crowded hospitals and from busy district or private work. Some fortunate ones came for the whole fortnight, others could only get one day away from work, yet all felt the peace and quiet of the place and went away refreshed and strengthened.

Many were the happy hours spent in idling in the garden or the woods, in walking to some delightful picnic spot for tea, in exploring the neighbouring towns of Beaconsfield or Chalfont St. Giles, or in driving further afield to Burnham Beeches. Yet this was not the only side of Camp. Part of each day was spent in prayer and Bible study, in listening to addresses on such subjects as "The Kingdom of God," "Prayer," "The Great Reality," "The Sacramental View of Life." Again the thought of the mission field was ever near. Letters were read from members throughout the world, and the five members present from India, China and Africa were ever ready to tell of the life and needs of other lands. Perhaps the most lasting memory will be the sense of God's presence in our midst, and the fresh realisation of His reality which goes with each member of "Camp" to give courage and hope amid all the darkness of the present time. All told we numbered 35—26 nurses, 2 doctors, and 7 lay officers.

"A MEMBER OF CAMP."

Anyone who wishes for full information of the Nurses' Missionary League "Camp" will find it in the July *Nurses Near and Far*, which will be out in a few days. They should apply to the General Secretary, Miss H. Y. Richardson, Sloane Gardens House, 52, Lower Sloane Street, S.W.

OUR PRIZE COMPETITION.**STATE WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THE MECHANICAL TREATMENT OF COMPOUND AND SUPPURATING FRACTURES.**

We regret that none of the papers sent in this week come up to the standard which justifies the awarding of a prize. Evidently few nurses trained recently in the United Kingdom have seen suppurating fractures, but many must have seen compound ones. It is a question which requires study.

APPOINTMENTS.**MATRONS.**

Pembrokeshire and Haverfordwest Infirmary, Haverfordwest.—Miss E. Surtees has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General Hospital, Northampton, where she was promoted to be theatre sister, and she has been Assistant Matron at the Royal Midland Counties Home for Incurables at Leamington, and Home Sister at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital.

Infectious Diseases Hospital, Bangor.—Miss Sarah Skilling has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Monsall Hospital, Manchester, and has held the position of Staff Nurse, and Charge Nurse, at the City Hospital, Grafton Street, Liverpool, from 1902 to the present time.

Elder Cottage Hospital, Govan.—Miss Elizabeth Hay has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, where she held the position of Sister for five years. For the past four years she has been Matron of the Hospital for Women, 29, Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow.

HOME SISTER AND NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.—Miss Margaret Evans has been appointed Home Sister and Night Superintendent. She was trained at Gloucester Royal Infirmary; has done private nursing; and been Night Sister at the Devonshire Hospital, Buxton; and the West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases, London.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

The following ladies to be Staff Nurses:—Miss G. F. Parkinson (June 16th); Miss G. L. Stevens (November 4th, 1914).

QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Miss Sophia A. Elliott is appointed to Jewish Maternity and Sick Room Helps Society as Assistant Superintendent. Miss Elliott received General Training at Swansea Union Infirmary, Midwifery Training at Cheltenham and District Training at Brighton. She has since held several appointments under the Queen's Institute.

Miss Mary Horsley is appointed to Clay Cross, Miss Agnes M. Rogers to Bedford, Miss Ruth Wimont to Huddersfield.

NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

The National Union of Trained Nurses, 39, Great Smith Street, S.W., has issued a "Comparative Thermometer," showing at a glance the relation between Fahrenheit and Centigrade, which should be useful to many nurses working abroad just now. The price on paper is 3d., or on a card 4d.

We have already drawn attention to the "Fly Peril Postcards," showing the flight of this deadly insect from filth to food. These cards cost 2s. for fifty, post free, and should be circulated widely

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