

Dr. Addison (Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Munitions) gave an interesting address, in the course of which he paid a tribute to the beautiful example of Miss Cavell's unselfish and self-sacrificing spirit which had led her to suffer for her country. The same spirit of patriotism which she possessed, he said, had animated the men and women who were working so steadily and unceasingly at the manufacture of munitions, without which we could not win the war. The supply of munitions, said the speaker, was gaining in strength and volume every week, and the public should not forget the men and women who were engaged in those often laborious and dangerous occupations. Several speakers followed, and all spoke in reverent admiration for the noble life and death of the late Assistant Matron. Mr. Gordon M. Forsyth, the artist, generously gave his work without fee, and the carving was done by Mr. Lanegan.

At the conclusion of the interesting ceremony, guests were hospitably entertained to tea by the Matron, Miss Inglis, to whom honour and thanks are largely due for having collected the necessary subscriptions.

In connection with the anniversary of Edith Cavell, we like to recall the very beautiful lines written "In Memoriam," by Henrietta J. Hawkins, so well known to the readers of the JOURNAL. Nothing more beautiful has been said or sung of her. The copy that we have at hand we like to read occasionally, it dispels all the sadness concerning her death, and makes feelings of revenge and bitterness impossible.

Copies of these inspiring lines are to be obtained at 431, Oxford Street, London, W. B. K.

HONOURED IN FRANCE.

In accepting on behalf of the French Government the loan of the Edith Cavell Hospital in Paris during the war, M. Justin Godart said, "What the Germans did in cruelty and hatred is avenged by the works of goodness and humanity. That is the very revenge that Edith Cavell herself would have wished for. Her name and her example will live for ever, and for ever be a reproach to the nation whose savagery can never be forgotten. Her noble death will prove fruitful, for it will determine the vocation of many women to the calling which she so nobly practised and taught."

One of the wards has been named after Mme. Depage, whose husband was head of the hospital in Brussels to which Edith Cavell's training school for nurses belonged, and who was drowned in the torpedoing of the Lusitania on her return from America, where she had collected funds for the Belgian hospitals. Another is named after Jeanne Houdin, who died while on duty at Verdun.

The Rest Home scheme for nurses in connection with the Royal Victorian Trained Nurses Association has now, under the title of the Edith Cavell Fund, collected £1,591 5s. 11d.

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

A Meeting of the Central Committee for the State Registration of Nurses will be held, by the kind permission of the British Medical Association, in the Council Chamber, 429, Strand, W.C., on Saturday, October 21st, at 2.30 p.m.

SOCIETY FOR STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society was held at 431, Oxford Street, W., on Thursday, 12th inst. Mrs. Fenwick presided.

The chief business was the consideration of the Nurses' Registration Bill, drafted by the Central Committee for the State Registration of Nurses, as amended by its Executive Committee, which was approved. The feeling of the meeting was unanimously in favour of supporting the principles for which the Society was founded: (1) an independent governing body appointed by the State, to be defined in the Bill; and (2) a definite term of training before registration, to be defined in the Bill.

It was unanimously resolved to instruct the delegates of the Society on the Central Committee to adhere to the decision of the Committee that failing the acceptance of its amendments by the Council of the College of Nursing, Ltd., its own Bill, as amended by the Executive Committee, should be proceeded with.

It was agreed that the constitution of the Scottish Board, as approved by the College of Nursing, was calculated to imperil the personal and economic liberty of nurses in Scotland, and that any such constitution should be determinedly resisted by the members of the Society in England.

NEW MEMBERS.

The following candidates were elected:—

- 4171 Miss G. A. Welton, cert. St. Marylebone Inf.
- 4172 Miss E. Wilcock, cert. General Inf., Leeds. (Matron Military Hosp., Felixstowe.)
- 4173 Miss M. Jackson, cert. Stobhill Hosp., Glasgow.
- 4174 Miss Eveline Unsworth, cert. University College Hosp. (Matron V.A.D. Hosp., Newton Abbot).
- 4175 Miss Mary E. Bonshor, cert. Royal S. Hants and Southampton Hosp.
- 4176 Miss K. A. Roberts, cert. Fulham Inf. (Sister-in-Charge Invalid Women Hostels, Denmark Hill).
- 4177 Miss A. B. Weir, cert. Victoria Inf., Glasgow.
- 4178 Miss M. G. Lincolne, cert. St. Bart.'s Hosp.
- 4179 Miss E. Norster, cert. " "

The meeting then terminated.

MARGARET BREAY, *Hon. Secretary.*

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