

NURSING ECHOES.

In aid of the Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, a flag day has been organised for July 25th, and it is hoped to arrange for collections to be made in the City and West End, as well as in the Eastern district. Queen Alexandra has given permission for the use of a flag bearing her portrait. It is necessary to raise £8,000 by the end of the year for the purposes of the hospital.

Mr. Alexander Casper Fraser, J.P., D.L., of Mongwell Park, Wallingford, Berks, who died December 30th, bequeathed £2,000 to Nurse Edith Fraser and £1,000 to Nurse A. U. McLennan for their care and attention to him.

We are glad to learn that the exhibition and sale for the East London Nursing Society, recently held at 1, Great Stanhope Street, realised £860. As much more as the generous public can give will greatly benefit the sick poor visited by the skilled and devoted nurses on the staff.

The dedication took place on Sunday, July 1st, of a stained-glass memorial window to Edith Cavell, placed in the parish church at Swardston, where she was born and spent her girlhood. Her father, the late Rev. Frederick Cavell, was for forty-six years vicar of the parish, and built the present vicarage.

The stained-glass memorial window is placed in the east end of the church immediately above the altar, and is extremely light and graceful and of delicate colouring. In the centre is a figure of the Saviour on the Cross, with the inscription, "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." This central piece is flanked by the Virgin and St. John, beneath which are the words, "He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities." Two smaller side lights contain figures of Joan of Arc holding a cross, and Florence Nightingale with a lamp in her hand. The inscriptions are, "Be thou faithful unto death" and "He will give thee a crown of life." In the top lights appears a representation of the Annunciation, and below the central figure of the Crucifixion is the figure of Edith Cavell in nurse's attire kneeling in devotion, and having beside her an open hymn-book showing the words "Abide with Me," the title of her favourite hymn. The remainder of the window contains figures of the Apostles and other saints. An alabaster tablet, affixed

to the wall on one side of the window, sets forth: "This window was given by many friends and admirers to commemorate the devoted life and tragic death of Edith Louisa Cavell, head of the first training school for nurses in Belgium, who was born and brought up in this parish, of which her father was vicar from 1863 to 1907, and who died for her country on October 12th, 1915, aged 49 years, being shot by order of a German court martial in Brussels for having rendered help to fugitive British, French, and Belgian soldiers. The artist who designed the window and the craftsmen who made it gave their services as their contribution to this memorial. Anno Domini, 1917."

The dedicatory service was attended by a large congregation, which included the aged mother of Nurse Cavell. The service was conducted by the vicar (the Rev. H. C. Green), and the preacher was Canon De Chair.

The Canon took his text from Mark xiv. 8 and 9: "She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. Verily I say unto you, wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her."

The twenty-seven nurses of the Leeds Township Infirmary Nurses' League who were successful in their final examination were recently decorated with the League badge at the Nurses' Home at Beckett Street by the Lady Mayoress of Leeds (Mrs. E. George Arnold).

The Rev. W. H. Stansfield (chairman of the Infirmary Committee) explained the objects of the League, and mentioned that over eighty members of the League were on war service. Three members had gained the Red Cross decoration. He paid a tribute to the work they were doing, and said that those who were left to carry on at home were rendering valuable work to the State as well as those serving abroad.

Miss F. Parker Spann (president of the League), Dr. J. Allan, Dr. W. Faith (editor, "L.T.I.") were present.

At the quarterly meeting of the Scottish Council of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, the report on the past three months' work, which was submitted, showed that the Council were directly responsible for the maintenance of sixteen Queen's nurses, nine Queen's candidates receiving instruction in district work in the Training Home, and five

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