

The four smiling Serb ladies at the laundry greet me each day in the same way, and I have now managed to learn up the proper answers, which never vary.

"Dobár dan," say I—which is "Good morning."
"Dobár dan, Sestra," say they. (Fancy *me* being called "Sister" Margot; what a dizzy height I have reached.) "Káko sté vi?" (How are you?) is my next solicitous enquiry. "Very well," they reply; "and how are you, Sister?" "Also very well, thank you." "Thank God" is the invariable answer and then the ceremony is over and we begin to get the washing out of the car.

Now I must go. I want a letter from you very badly, Margot, dear.—Yours,
VERONICA.

AFTER MANY DAYS.

Miss Lloyd Still and Miss Cox-Davies have called a meeting at St. Thomas' Hospital (by the permission of the Treasurer Sir Arthur Stanley, and the Governors), on May 8th, "for the purpose of forming an Association of Hospital Matrons." In the year 1894 the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland was inaugurated by the late Matron, Miss Isla Stewart, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and its members have played a valiant and sympathetic part in promoting a high ethical standard in the Nursing Profession, and in standing firmly for its State organisation. Let us hope that its rival will emulate its policy, it cannot follow a better example. It will be interesting to see what duties and objects not already incorporated in the constitution of the Matrons' Council can be added to the St. Thomas' Hospital Association. The Nurses, including the Chief Nurses (the Matrons) have a Royal Chartered Corporation of their own, and once "registered by the State," all classes of nurses will be equal before the law and will have equal protection.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL, E.C. PROBATIONARY NURSES.

FINAL EXAMINATION LIST, APRIL, 1919.

1, Constance Amelia Wilson (Gold Medallist); 2, Caroline Blanche Bowen; 3, Jean Decima Jacomb; 4, Margaret Lillian Beebe; 5, Grace Mildred Palmer; 6, Mildred Agnes Vera Etches; 7, Winifred Mary Bousfield; 8, Violet Mary Wooderson; 9, Annie Kate Ellis; 10, Olive Mary King; 11, Eileen Saxon; equal 12, Phyllis Bateman, Ivy Winifred Gostling, Ada Cherringto; 13, Elizabeth Russell Morris; 14, Violet Allen; 15, Evelyn Rosa Fitch; 16, Celia Mary Hewes; 17, Dorothy Grierson; 18, Edith Constance Ashley; 19, Ruth Ferrer Moore; 20, Mary Olive Webster; 21, Bessie Williams; 22, Kathleen Weller; equal 23, Verna Copping and Gladys Maud Harvey; equal 24, Gwendoline Holme and Edith Hilda Somerford; 25, Alice Mildred Mizen; 26, Gladys Seager; 27, Violet Lucinda Jean Wiles.

FIRST YEAR'S EXAMINATION.—Miss E. Dunster passed first, and was awarded a prize of books.

THE NURSING AND MIDWIFERY EXHIBITION.

ST. ANDREW'S HALL, NEWMAN STREET, W.

Entering the Exhibition by the stand of Win-carnis, we pass on to pause at that of the Surgical Manufacturing Co., Ltd. The firm is making a special feature of scissors at a very low price, also tongue spatulas, and nurses will be well advised to secure these. The Surgman Bag is well arranged and moderately priced. A most desirable nurses' case book is given away.

There is always a little group of nurses to be found gathered round the stand of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, where Miss Beatrice Kent, Miss A. Hulme, and other staunch supporters of State Registration of Nurses and of the Journal which has fought the nurses' battle, are to be found explaining its foundation policy. Close by is the stand of Jardo, Ltd. (Crystal Palace Works, Anerley) a most tasty and nutritious beef-tea. Next to this, Keen, Robinson & Co., Ltd., have an attractive stand at which their "Patent" Barley and Groats are shown.

Bovril, Ltd., justly claims with pride that its price has not been raised throughout the war. Invalid Bovril is a delicate preparation.

On the stand of Boots, the chemists, we noticed a most convenient and excellently arranged and fitted first-aid cabinet, and some red and white mackintosh sheeting, double proofed and pliable.

Genatosan, Ltd., in addition to its well-known preparations, is showing detoxicated vaccines. By a new process these vaccines are rendered 50 to 100 times less poisonous.

Virol, Ltd., has produced, under the name of Virolax, a very agreeable laxative, an emulsion of chemically pure liquid paraffin and Virol.

Very attractive is the stand of Messrs. Allen & Hanburys, where all their well-known specialities are in evidence—foods, rusks, soaps, feeders, etc.

Messrs. John Bell & Croyden are showing an excellent premature birth feeder, their Lysol-Bell, and other well-known specialities.

In the gallery is to be seen an attractive example of the Marmet Baby Carriage, and at the stand of the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute, Miss Marsters shows a most practical overall used by district nurses in attendance on measles cases. After use it is placed in a washing case and then rolled up in one of American cloth. Their hat and cap linings for ringworm cases are excellent and the cap for impetigo patients.

The National Union of Trained Nurses are well to the fore with literature and other exhibits.

At Messrs. Brown & Polson's stall a lady cooking diplomée demonstrates what tasty and inexpensive dishes can be prepared with Brown & Polson's "Patent" Cornflour and "Paisley Flour."

In the entrance hall the stand of Lysol receives much well-merited attention.

The Gas Light & Coke Co. have arranged a model gas kitchen which is well worth a visit, and, near by is the Glaxo Cottage, most considerably arranged as a rest-room for nurses.

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