

a working week of 56 hours. Increased massage accommodation had been added, a new shampoo room, and a room in which nurses could do as they pleased, with facilities for washing and ironing blouses, and other small oddments. The new Infant Welfare Centre had also been completed, and opened.

Miss Hogg then introduced, as chairman, Miss Constance Todd, R.R.C., M.M., whose magnificent work in the war was, she said, well known to those present.

REPORT OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

Miss Hogg, as Hon. Secretary, presented the report of the year's work, which shewed amongst other items that 346 week-ends, and days off, had been spent at the Cottage during the year, and over 1,000 short visits paid for tea, etc. Six hundred volumes had been taken from the Nurses' Library during the year. The Swimming Club held a most successful tournament in August.

The Photographic and Needlework Exhibitions, on view in adjacent rooms, had not received as much support as usual. In the case of the Photographic Exhibition, it was due in a great measure to the high prices of materials; and in regard to the Needlework Exhibition, to the stipulation that the work should be sent in unwashed.

The new edition of the *Nursing Guide* had been sent out to members.

The building and furnishing of the extension of the Nurses' Cottage was nearly completed; a new grass tennis court had been made and the garden freshly laid out. They owed this to the generous gift of £3,000 from Mr. Cosmo Bonsor and Lord Revelstoke, who gave this extension to commemorate the work done by Guy's nurses at home and abroad during the war.

Miss Hogg then enumerated the many honours which had been won by Guy's Nurses for War Service, and recorded with much regret the deaths of several members since the last meeting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

In the absence of the Hon. Treasurer (Mrs. Cameron), Miss Hogg also presented the financial statement, which showed that the amount of income over expenditure was £125 10s. 1d.; and with the balance brought forward from the previous year, £264 13s. 4d. The cost of printing the new Register was, however, so heavy—nearly £400—that the whole of this balance was swallowed up, and there would be a deficit at the end of the year if they were not very careful. Part of the cost would, however, be defrayed by advertisements; and members had been so good in responding to her appeal for a small donation that it was hoped they would have very little deficit to show. The cost of the upkeep of the cottage would be very much increased, but the Governors had come to their help by giving a grant each year for the purpose.

Miss Hogg reported with much regret the resignation of Mrs. Cameron, and announced that Mrs. E. C. Hughes had consented to be nominated

for election as Hon. Treasurer at the next Council meeting. Miss Smith then announced the result of the ballot for the election of members of the Council for the ensuing year.

THE CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

Miss Todd then gave a most interesting address, gracefully expressing the very great charm that there was in coming back to Guy's. She spoke of the work at the Brigade Hospital at Etaples and its vivid interest, and of the credit due to those who carried on in the hospitals at home. She also told a tale of a dour old Scotch prize fighter who had been badly wounded, and who seemed so discontented with everything to do with the war, that the question was put to him why he had volunteered, as he was over age? His reply was: "A man needs to be a bit of an 'ero now-a-days to stop at home." Miss Todd paid a high tribute to the British soldiers and said she had never realised before how wonderful our men were.

She told also of the Flight Commander of a German aeroplane, which bombed the hospitals at Etaples, who was brought down; and, as he was wounded, was brought into the hospital. He loudly demanded to be sent to England and not be left in a hospital which would assuredly be bombed again by his compatriots. She described also the events of Corpus Christi, 1918, when it seemed as if the Germans were absolutely determined to wipe out every hospital in Etaples.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks, after which the photographs and needlework were duly admired.

PRIZE WINNERS.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION.

The prize-winners in this section were as follows:—

CLASS A.—Photographs which are the entire work of Exhibitors who have won an award at a previous Exhibition. *First Prize*, Miss H. M. Edmonds. *Second Prize*, Miss M. Smith.

CLASS B.—Photographs which are the entire work of Exhibitors who have not won an award at an Exhibition. *First Prize*, Miss E. Macmanus. *Second Prize*, Miss F. Nicholls. *Third Prize*, Miss J. R. Wadlow.

CLASS C.—Photographs which have been taken by the Exhibitor, but not printed or developed by her. *First Prize*, Miss F. Edmonds. *Second Prize*, Miss F. Brooks. *Third Prize*, Miss L. G. Mannell.

NEEDLEWORK EXHIBITION.

CLASS A (1) Plain Needlework.—*First Prize*, no award. *Second Prize*, Miss L. Dixon and Miss K. I. Somerville (tie). (2) Darning.—Miss R. Dreyer.

CLASS B, Fancy Work (1) Embroidery.—*First Prize*, Miss E. Bond. *Second Prize*, Miss J. Lewin. *Highly commended*, Miss J. Hills, Miss E. New. (2) Drawn Thread Work.—*First Prize*, Miss R. Ford. *Second Prize*, Miss J. Hills. *Special Prize*, Miss J. Lewin, for a very beautifully worked tablecloth.

CLASS C.—*Highly commended*—Lace, Miss R. Dreyer. Crochet, Miss J. M. Richardson, Miss M. C. Allen, and Miss D. Lane. Knitting.—*First Prize*, Miss C. Barker. *Second Prize*, Mrs. Church. *Highly commended*, Miss V. Tebutt and Miss S. Weiss.

CLASS D, Miscellaneous.—*Prizes*, Church Embroidery and Worked Banner, Miss M. Yeaxlee.

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