

THE NURSES' THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

Much interest is being taken in the Thanksgiving Service for the passing of the Nurses' Registration Acts, which is being held, by the kindness of the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C., on Friday, January 23rd, at 7.15 p.m., and on such an occasion there is sure to be a good congregation of nurses and their friends. The hymns selected are all those

doubtless a cross made of wood, which gave the name of Charing Cross long before Crundale erected the cross of Caen stone by order of King Edward I, in honour of Eleanor, his Queen, who accompanied the King to the Holy Land, and when he was wounded by a poisoned arrow, sucked the poison out of the wound, with the result that the King recovered. The body of Queen Eleanor was brought from Lincolnshire to Westminster Abbey for burial, and at each stopping-place King Edward had a



THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS, Trafalgar Square, W.C.
Where the Nurses' Thanksgiving Service will be held.

in which the congregation can join, and the canticles will be sung to well-known chants, so that the service will be thoroughly congregational.

By the kindness of Mr. John McMaster, Churchwarden of St. Martin's, which is a Royal Parish, we are able to publish the accompanying picture of the church from his book, "St. Martin's-in-the-Fields." It is interesting to learn that the Church was sometimes called St. Martin-nigh-the-Cross at the village of Charing, and Mr. McMaster tells us that there was

cross erected. The crosses were consecrated, and bore the inscription "*Orate pro anima.*"

Major Barnett, M.P., deeply regrets that, owing to a previous engagement, he is unable to be present at the Thanksgiving Service, and has most generously sent Mrs. Bedford Fenwick a cheque for £5 5s., to be added to the offertory. As we announced last week, any surplus from the offertory after expenses are paid is to be given to the Trained Nurses' Annuity Fund.

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