

baptismal names 'Florence Nightingale,' linking her as they did to her great relative and namesake, in whose footsteps she was, indeed, a worthy follower.

"Strange irony that she who had been a 'succourer of many' should die by the hand of a brutal and cowardly assassin—and yet to those of us who have eyes to see and faith to believe, does there not come a glimpse of the apparent failure which is the greatest victory, and which was embodied first and for all time in the Manger of Bethlehem and on the Cross of Calvary?"

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RECEPTION AT THE AUTOMOBILE CLUB.

To celebrate the passing of the Nurses Registration Act, Sir Arthur Stanley (Chairman of the College of Nursing, Ltd., and Treasurer of St. Thomas' Hospital), held a reception at the Royal Automobile Club, on January 15th, supported by many members of the Council of the College Company. It was distinctly a social function, at which a large number of fashionably dressed women, V.A.D.s, and others were present.

A vote of thanks to Viscount Sandhurst (in charge of the Nurses' Registration Bill in the House of Lords), and to Dr. Addison (Minister of Health), was moved by Miss Cox Davies, who expressed the feelings of relief of those whom she represented that the long controversy over the registration of nurses was at an end, and the whole future of the organisation of the nursing profession safeguarded, not only for the essential well-being of the profession itself, but, what was still more important, for the safety and protection of the suffering humanity whom they served. She assured the Minister of Health of the most loyal support of the members of the College in the very difficult work of setting up the new Council.

Miss Sparshott, Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, seconded, as a provincial Matron and as a convert to State Registration.

Dr. Addison, in the course of his reply, said that it was the intention of the present Ministry of Health to lose no time in extending and improving facilities for the work of nurses, not only to assist those in necessity through illness, but to guide and instruct the people in how to keep well. It was the preventive services that they must develop, and though this would cost a considerable amount, it was one of the great national economies that they should devote money in improving the fundamental services which went to prevent sickness and disability.

The Minister emphasised the opinion that nurses should be properly paid.

In regard to the first register, it was bound to contain the names of a large number of nurses who had practised their profession for a long time, but might not have had the opportunities required in the latest curriculum for training.

In conclusion, Dr. Addison urged upon the

nurses present that they should be good citizens first and nurses second. Speaking as a professional man, he declared that it was the bane of professions that their members were professionals first and citizens second. That was most unfortunate for the professions and the public, and he hoped that the nursing profession, through the new Council, would consider the needs of the profession and how they could best be moulded to the public weal.

Viscount Sandhurst said he had had a great deal of experience with nurses, but the crowning event was that he had assisted to pass this Act. He urged that nurses should not only be properly paid and fed, but properly housed. He was more than repaid for his easy task in piloting the Bill through the House of Lords if he had in any way contributed to the greater efficiency and greater happiness of the vast body of nurses to whom every one owed so much.

Sir Arthur Stanley, referring to an appeal to be made on behalf of the Nation's Fund for Nurses to endow the College of Nursing, and finance the Tribute Fund for Distressed Nurses, said they wanted to give every soldier and every relative of a soldier who knew what the nurses had done in the war a chance to show their gratitude. He announced that Viscount Burnham would open the columns of the *Daily Telegraph* about the 26th of the month to start a big appeal.

APPOINTMENTS.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Scottish Prison Service.—Miss Minnie Miller has been appointed Lady Superintendent. She at present holds the position of Matron at the James Murray Royal Asylum, Perth.

SCHOOL NURSE.

County Borough of West Ham.—The following School Nurses have been appointed:—

Miss Lilian V. Young. She was trained at the Hampstead General Hospital, Haverstock Hill, and has worked at the North Eastern Fever Hospital.

Miss Emma J. Marsh, trained at the St. Marylebone Infirmary, and has had military nursing, Q.A.I.M.N.S.R. and private nursing experience.

Miss Francis G. Hobbs, trained at St. Giles' Infirmary, Camberwell, and has been ward sister and night superintendent at Hackney Infirmary, and Sister Q.A.I.M.N.S.R.

Miss Bertha Downs, trained at the North Ormsby Hospital, Middlesbrough, has been on the staff of the 3rd London General Hospital T.F.N.S., and a temporary School Nurse, London County Council.

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TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Janet A. Macleod is appointed to Shropshire N.F. as Assistant Superintendent. Miss Mabel A. Battye to Adlington. Miss Florence E. Bellman to Highcliffe. Miss Annie Goodison to Heath and Williamthorpe. Miss Beatrice J. Naidon to Willenhall. Miss Annie Mannion to Market Rasen. Miss Mary Powell to Gillingham. Miss Edith Richardson to Fulham. Miss Esther Snowdon to Carlisle. Miss Florence N. Underhill to Guildford.

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