

MARRIAGE.

Intimation has reached us of the marriage of Mr. Scheider, a famous geologist in India, to Mrs. Green, M.R.B.N.A. (*née* Macdonald), widow of the late Dr. Green, formerly Medical Officer of Sarawak. We offer to Mr. and Mrs. Scheider our sincere good wishes.

THE LATE CANON SHEPPARD.

Members of the Association who were present at the opening ceremony of the Club on May 18th will have seen with deep regret the announcement of the death of Canon Sheppard, Sub-Dean of the Chapels Royal. When Her Royal Highness, the President of the Association, requested him to offer prayers for a blessing on the nurses' new "home from home" he at once consented to do so, and we shall long remember not only his beautiful prayer on that afternoon but the pleasure which it gave to all to have his kindly presence with us on one of the great days in the annals of the Nurses' Association.

Canon Sheppard had for long been an intimate friend of the Members of our Royal Family, one whom they all held in great regard, and he was also sincerely beloved by a very wide circle who mourn the passing of a great-hearted man, and a clergyman whose simple dignity was so much in keeping with his high office in the Church.

A LITERARY SOCIETY.

As we announced in our issue of August 13th it is suggested that a literary society shall be formed in connection with the R.B.N.A., and we shall be glad to hear from members of the Association and their friends who are prepared to join this. The subscription will be one shilling annually. Already we have been promised a lecture on Napoleon by a well-known authority, while Miss Parsons has undertaken to give us "An Evening with Kipling," and Miss Holmes will speak on some other evening of the writings of Maeterlinck. We shall be glad to have any suggestions for the programme of the Literary Society from our readers.

GIFTS FOR THE CLUB.

We acknowledge with thanks the following gifts for the Club:—Mrs. Hayes-Palmer, cake, home-made jam and flowers; Mrs. Rice Oxley, volume of *Punch* (1920), and Miss Florence Kent, flowers. From the following members of the Corporation we also acknowledge the following gifts, with thanks for their kindness:—Miss Bishop, Miss Cattell and Miss Cox Sinclair, flowers; Miss Conway, cake and flowers; Miss Morgan butter.

DONATIONS.

The Hon. Treasurer acknowledges, with thanks, the following donations to the General Funds of the Corporation:—Miss Fraser, £1 5s. 8d.; Mrs. Raikes, £1 1s.; Miss Fisher, £1; Miss Griffin, £1; and Miss Sadler, 5s.

HEALTH WELFARE WORK IN FACTORIES.

The subject of health welfare work in factories, a question of great interest to trained nurses, was discussed at the annual meeting of the Batley District Nursing Service. In an address on "The Place of a Nurse in a Factory," Dr. Rhoda H. B. Adamson, M.D., B.S., Leeds, said insufficient attention had been paid in the past to the question of the health of the people engaged in industry. But it had now been found that the industries that looked after the interests of their workpeople were the best paying industries, as they received better return from the people at work, and the workpeople had what was spoken of as "a long life in the industry." During the war medical departments supervised the health of the workers in Government factories, and in connection with each there was also an ambulance department. That idea was now being enlarged to some extent by a Home Office Order in relation to welfare work in factories.

Dr. J. H. Woods, J.P., said a definite attempt was being made to humanise industry, and it was certainly time industrial life was made more human. To help in such cases as that health centres attached to industrial concerns would be of great service. The establishment of such institutions would be of the greatest value both in the interests of output and of health.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TO MEMBERS WHO LOVE FLOWERS.

To the Secretary of the R.B.N.A.

DEAR MADAM,—The description of the Japanese garden last week was very pleasant reading to some of us who have had no opportunity of getting far afield this summer. Certainly a Japanese garden in the Highlands sounds quite enterprising, and it has given me an idea. Why should not the Association have yet another sprout in the shape of a horticultural society of its own? I agree that a roof garden is out of the question just at the present time, but some of the members who love flowers might well join together to make the very most of the conservatory and that fine balcony outside the drawing room. I should like to see the latter ablaze with geraniums next summer, and in the conservatory I should like a rock garden with lots of green ferns and creeping plants, a tiny lake with gold fish and a trickle of water to supply it, which would sound so delightful when we enjoy the restfulness of the lounge and look out on a beautiful green conservatory. Think about it.

Yours sincerely,

C. LIDDIATT.

NOTE.—Miss Liddiatt's suggestion is excellent, and we shall be glad to hear from members who will act as Hon. Gardeners to the R.B.N.A.

(Signed) ISABEL MACDONALD,
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