

Bailey; Nurse Bishop (re-elected). *Library Section*.—Sister Griffiths (re-elected); Nurse N. Webb (re-elected). *Debating Section*.—Sister Naaman (Miss Dearman), re-elected; Nurse Watkins (re-elected). *Dramatic Section*.—Sister Theatres (Miss Evershed); Nurse Lyons.

Hon. Members.

The election of Lady Fripp, Lady Hale White, and Mrs. Robarts as Hon. Members of the Council was then confirmed.

Address by the Chairman.

Miss Jolley then gave an interesting account of her work at Holloway Prison, where Miss Pepper had recently been appointed as Sister-in-Charge of a hospital.

She described the work as very interesting, and the different kinds of patients with whom the nursing staff had to deal. By no means all were really bad characters. Some seemed to come in from sheer bad luck, others had weak wills, and had much good in them if they would keep away from silly companions, others again got into trouble through their uncontrollable tempers. Miss Jolley spoke of the great assistance Sister Stedman had been in dealing with this class of prisoners. There was a wonderful difference; her soothing influence was most marked, and they had not boiled over nearly so often.

She believed some people thought nurses were wasted in prisons. This was far from being the case. She hoped in time the prisons would be reduced in size, and only contain able-bodied criminals. The feeble-minded had no right to be there. It would be the greatest kindness to keep these people out, and she begged all those who had any influence to work for the establishment of borderland homes, both for this class and for the epileptics and mental deficient. Setting aside consideration of the welfare of these people, their presence in the prisons really interfered with the discipline of the able-bodied criminals.

Some interesting work in psycho-analysis among the remand prisoners in Birmingham had been carried on by Mr. Hamblin-Smith.

Miss Jolley told of one woman who was discharged from Holloway at mid-day, and in the evening was knocking at the gate asking to be taken in again, "if it was only for the night." Another discharged prisoner set out to go to Liverpool, but by the time she got to Hitchin broke the window in a chemist's shop there, so that she might be brought back to Holloway.

Miss Jolley emphasised the difference in little things which might seem unimportant between nursing in a general hospital and a prison hospital. A piece of string dropped on the floor of a hospital would just be picked up, in a prison it must immediately be put away, lest someone, perhaps only out of mischief, should tie it round her neck. She described the humour of taking the census at Holloway. When she asked one woman her name (meaning her Christian name) she replied, "Put me down under the name I'm in under now, it will do as well as any," and gave her birthplace

as "somewhere between here and Australia," saying she was "a stow off a ship."

Miss Jolley said that the shoplifters didn't think they were injuring anyone, when she remonstrated with one she received the reply, "Just look at the profit John Barker is making."

She concluded by hoping soon to see a good Prison Nursing Service, and once more begged her hearers to use their influence to get borderland homes established, for borderland cases and moral imbeciles.

PRIZES.

Miss Jolley then distributed the Prizes awarded in the Needlework and Photographic Exhibitions:

NEEDLEWORK.

Section I (exhibits that have not been washed or cleaned)—

Class A, Plain Needlework.—1st Prize, Nurse M. Humphreys; 2nd Prize, Sister Luke; Highly Commended, Sister Dixon, Nurse V. Murray.

Darning.—1st Prize, Sister Luke and Nurse Page (bracketed equal).

Patching.—Prize, Nurse K. Adams; Highly Commended, Nurse Henry.

Class B, Fancy Work.—1st Prize, Miss Beryl Binning; 2nd Prize, Sister Theatres; Highly Commended, Miss W. Venning, Miss E. Wilkins.

Class C, Lace and Crochet.—1st Prize, Mrs. Wood; 2nd Prize, Miss M. Collier; Highly Commended, Sister Grace and Nurse Lyons.

Knitting.—1st Prize, Nurse York; 2nd Prize, Miss F. Tubbs; Highly Commended, Miss J. Worthington, Miss K. Murphy.

Class D, Dressmaking and Millinery.—Highly Commended, Nurse Stewart.

Section II (Exhibits that have been washed or cleaned)—

Class A, Patching.—Highly Commended, Nurse Betts.

Class B, Fancy Work.—1st Prize, Miss C. Pearce; 2nd Prize, Nurse H. Lucas; Highly Commended, Miss S. Pollard.

Class C, Lace, Crochet and Knitting.—1st Prize, Miss K. Jackson; 2nd Prize, Sister Light; Highly Commended, Sister Dixon.

Class D, Miscellaneous.—Very Highly Commended, Miss Beryl Binning; Highly Commended, Miss F. Tubbs, Miss M. S. Robertson, Nurse Lamb.

Special Prize.—Specimens of Plain and Fancy Needlework, Miss E. Latham.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION.

Class A, Entire Work of Exhibitor.—1st Prize, Tree Studies, Miss L. Oldendorff; 2nd Prize, Rippled Sands, Miss H. Edmonds; Special Prize, A Quiet By-way, Miss M. Smith.

Class B, Entire Work of Exhibitor who has not won an award.—Prize, Rocks at Nevin Pwlheli, Miss W. Johnson.

Class C, Not the Entire Work of Exhibitor.—1st Prize, Rough Sea on the Northumberland Coast, Miss S. Hadcock; 2nd Prize, A Convent Garden, Miss B. Binning; 3rd Prize, The Hills at Shan-haikwan, Mrs. Tatham.

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