

HOSPITAL WORLD.

On Thursday, November 23rd, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, who is President, will open the Princess Mary Home and Physio-Therapy Department attached to the Victoria Hospital for Children, Tite Street, Chelsea. The nurses will hold a bazaar in aid of the funds, over which they and their friends have been busy for some time. We remember this hospital in Miss Minks' day, when it was situated in a beautiful old Chelsea house in a large garden—an ideal spot, but which has been added to until all the open space is covered with buildings, to meet the needs of suffering children for miles around. The hospital has always been a "pet" of Royalty; Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll—a lively young woman in those days—was a frequent visitor, and the first time we saw Queen Mary there—a bonny fair-haired child in a very voluminous white muslin frock—she was visiting the hospital with her mother, the late Duchess of Teck, of all the Royal Princesses the most gracious.

Lord Boyne has offered Brancepeth Castle—a famous old fortress—to the local Voluntary Hospital Committee for the County of Durham as an auxiliary hospital.

QUEEN MARY'S HOSPITAL FOR THE EAST END.

The Nursing Staff, past and present, of Queen Mary's Hospital, will be interested to hear that Mr. A. W. Scrivener, who has been Secretary of that Institution for 22 years, has retired.

It is the wish of some of the Staff to give him a souvenir to show their appreciation of the various kindnesses which were meted out to them by him during their period at the Hospital.

As it is difficult for Matron to communicate personally with all the late Members of the Staff, she takes this opportunity to communicate through THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

She will be glad to receive any donations from anyone who wishes to be associated with this testimonial.

MALE NURSE SENT TO PRISON.

At Marlborough Street, on Monday, William John Ogle pleaded guilty to being in the unauthorised possession of heroin.

Mr. Muskett, prosecuting, said that the prisoner had ten years' good record in the Navy, and for the last twelve months had been employed by the Army and Navy Nursing Association.

For nine months he had been in personal attendance as a male nurse on a retired Army officer.

Since February 3rd it was clear he had been obtaining from a chemist a large quantity of heroin upon forging a prescription. The police had 32 such prescriptions in accused's handwriting.

Accused said he had taken heroin as a medicine not as a drug. It was owing to having suffered from malaria in East Africa that he resorted to it.

He was sent to prison for four months in the Second Division.

LEAGUE NEWS.

LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY NURSES' LEAGUE.

The Autumn Meeting of the Leicester Royal Infirmary Nurses' League was held, by kind invitation of Miss Roberts, at the District Nurses' Home, Summerhill Road, Birmingham, on November 7th, 1922. Miss Vincent, R.R.C., presided. A cloud was cast over the meeting by the news that Miss Rogers, who had arrived in Birmingham, was prevented from attending by the sudden death of her niece, Miss Agnes Sawyer, an old Leicester Sister, and a member of the League. The meeting stood in silence for a minute, and a message of affectionate sympathy was sent to Miss Rogers.

The interest of the meeting was chiefly centred on the forthcoming election of the General Nursing Council. Miss Davies explained what had already been done, and said that the College of Nursing had recommended names for nomination to its members, and other names were being put forward of nurses who were willing to stand independently. The retiring Nursing Council had had a very difficult time, but nurses generally felt that they did not wish for a disunited Council, and it was essential that they should elect candidates who would work amicably together for the welfare of the nursing profession.

After some discussion it was decided that a candidate should be nominated by the League, and by the unanimous feeling of the meeting Miss Embry, the Hon. Secretary, was selected.

Some members of the League who had retired from active work, having found the increased subscription beyond their means, it was unanimously decided that in the case of Founder members the difference in the subscription should be paid from the Emergency Fund, if necessary.

After the League business was finished, visitors were admitted to hear Dr. Robertson, M.O.H. for Birmingham, speak on "Milk Supply and its Modern Treatment." Dr. Robertson has recently returned from investigating the methods used in America, and succeeded in fascinating his audience with the subject, and made every one feel determined to do what they could to ensure better conditions in their own towns. On conclusion, he was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks.

Miss Roberts had provided a sumptuous tea, to which the company now adjourned, and thoroughly enjoyed to the accompanying gossip with old friends.

LONDON TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL NURSES' LEAGUE.

The London Temperance Hospital Nurses' League will be "At Home" on Saturday, November 18th, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. In the course of the evening Miss Millman, Secretary of the British Empire Union, will give an address, when Councillor Beatrice Kent will preside, and will be supported by Major R. Rigg, Chairman of the Hospital.

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