

**THE ANNUAL MEETING.**

Members who get the Journal on Friday morning are reminded that the Annual Meeting takes place on Friday, June 30th, at 5.30. H.R.H. Princess Christian has graciously intimated her intention to preside. Tea and ices are being provided for the members at 4.30 p.m. by Mrs. Campbell Thomson, Nurse Hon. Secretary.

**FLAG DAY FOR WAIFS AND STRAYS.**

Members are reminded that on July 6th the Waifs' and Strays' Society is holding a Flag Day, and that a Depot is being arranged for, between Queen's Gate and High Street, Kensington, for which R.B.N.A. members are responsible. We trust that as many volunteers as possible will come forward to help this effort on the part of so deserving a charity.

**REPORT OF THE AUSTRALIAN BRANCH.**

The last Report from the Australian Branch is quite satisfactory. Twenty applications for membership have been received during the last six months. The Committee report with regret the deaths of Dr. Poulton, Mrs. Moody, and Mrs. Shields, who were members of the Association. There has been the average demand for private nurses, and most of the calls have been supplied by the Home Staff, about seventy-seven cases having been taken by members of the Emergency Staff. The congratulations of the Committee are offered to the following nurses married during the half-year with which the Report deals:—Misses Abbott, Crosby-White, Elliott, Holden, Hook, Jacka, Malcolm, Mason, Martin, O'Brien, Palmer, Paltridge, and Sedgely. A number of the members have left the State, either to come to England or to go to other parts of the Dominion. It is recorded that His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Miss Penrose, Secretary of the Branch Association, to be a member of the Board under the Nurses' Registration Act, South Australia.

**WEDDING.**

On Saturday, 17th ult., 1922, Queen's Gate was *en fête* for the wedding of Miss Kathleen Mary Dunne to Mr. Robb. The marriage was solemnised at Westminster Cathedral, and Father MacKenna performed the ceremony. There was one bridesmaid, and Captain Williams acted as best man. The bride, who was given away by Miss Macdonald, looked very charming in a gown of soft white ninon over satin, and a bridal veil of lace caught up with orange-blossom. The wedding took place at nine o'clock in the morning, and the guests returned to Queen's Gate for the wedding breakfast about an hour later. Telegrams of congratulation were received from H.R.H. the President of the Royal British Nurses' Association and from many friends; the health of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by Captain Williams, and, just before the bridal pair left for Folkestone, Miss Clarke sang two

songs in her magnificent contralto voice. Miss Le Mercier very kindly lent her motor-car to the bride.

**ENGAGEMENT.**

On July 1st, at 12 a.m., at the Parish Church, Bexley Heath, the marriage will take place of Miss Ethel Mary Budd and Mr. H. A. Long. We offer with much pleasure the congratulations of the members of the R.B.N.A. Miss Budd is very well known and exceedingly popular among them, and they unite in wishing her every happiness.

**MR. PATERSON'S HOSPITALITY TO HIS FORMER PATIENTS AT THE LONDON TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL.**

On Saturday last, Mr. Paterson entertained, in the Out-Patients' Department of the London Temperance Hospital, a large number of patients upon whom he had performed abdominal operations at one time or another. Judging from the cheerfulness of the large gathering, his operations had been thoroughly effective, while the excellent fare provided rather gave rise to the suspicion that the "ineligible" guests invited might be expected to supply the excuse for Mr. Paterson's surgical skill on some future occasion! The entertainment after tea was excellent indeed. There was clever acting by the members of the Nursing Staff, and some very good music and singing. Several patients contributed to the amusement themselves, and last but not least came Mr. Paterson's conjuring tricks, which made it clear to his audience that his dexterity and manipulative skill were not confined exclusively to the *serious* side of life.

**LETTER FROM HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR OF KENSINGTON.**

Mayor's Parlour,  
Town Hall, Kensington,  
June 20th, 1922.

DEAR MISS MACDONALD,—Will you be good enough to convey to your Association the very best thanks of my wife and myself for their very kind congratulations and good wishes on the honour which the King has recently bestowed on me?

Such appreciation is very agreeable to us both as giving proof that we have not altogether failed in our efforts to do our utmost to further the interests and happiness of the people of Kensington. Thank you all so very much.

I am, yours faithfully,

ALFRED J. RICE-OXLEY,  
Mayor.

**GIFTS TO THE CLUB.**

We acknowledge with thanks the following gifts:—The Countess of Pembroke, flowers; Miss Bishop, flowers; Miss Burke, flowers; Miss Denham, confetti; Miss Gerrie, flowers; Miss Gordon-Wright, flowers; Mrs. Robb, flowers.

ISABEL MACDONALD,  
Secretary to the Corporation.

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