

having unfitted women to be on an equality with men, but pointed out that modern education can and will amend matters in this respect. Suspicion and disloyalty might exist among women, but one had only to listen to a debate in Parliament to realise that the same weakness existed among men. They were primitive characteristics of human nature; they have to be got rid of. Men were capable of disloyalty too, and were as suspicious of one another as any women were. As for their objections to criticism—well, women must get over that, and this debating society was founded partly to achieve this in one particular group. Then as to the General Nursing Council, similar differences of opinion took place in every evolutionary movement, and it was to be expected that they would arise in this, because there met on that Council people who had for thirty odd years pressed for State Registration and those who for the same number of years had put every obstacle in its path.

The debate was well attended, and the Resolution was lost by a majority of three. It is only possible to give a very short report of these meetings, but we shall be very pleased if nurses will come in on Monday evenings at 8 p.m. and take part in the debates or listen to them.

LECTURE BY DR. SLOANE CHESSEY.

Miss Pearse took the Chair when Dr. Sloane Chessy gave her lecture at 194, Queen's Gate, on Saturday, March 3rd.

The lecturer referred first to the importance of keeping the body in health, and spoke of various points relating to ordinary hygiene and the necessity for spreading a wide knowledge of it.

We hope to report the lecture at length in a subsequent issue.

At the close of the lecture several members of the audience asked questions of Dr. Chessy, and Miss Pearse warmly thanked her for an exceedingly interesting address. We were very pleased to welcome on this particular occasion a number of the International students, a pleasure which we hope to enjoy again on some future occasion.

LECTURE BY MAJOR RIGG, O.B.E.

We remind our Members of the interesting lecture on Sir Christopher Wren, which will be given at the Club to-day (Saturday), at 3 p.m.

FIXTURES FOR THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

On Monday, the 19th inst., at 8 p.m., the purpose of the meeting will be to consider "Procedure at Meetings," and Mrs. Ryder Richardson will take the chair and conduct a meeting. On the 26th inst., at the usual hour, various Members will co-operate in reading aloud "As You Like It," each one reading the words, as they occur, of one of the characters in the play. It is agreed that this will help towards making it more easy to get upon one's feet and to speak in public, but, apart from this, the play is one peculiarly well suited to precede the next debate, which is to

take place on April 9th, when Miss Birch will move, and speak to, a resolution, "That, in the opinion of this Meeting the Plays were written by William Shakespeare." Miss Macdonald will oppose her and argue that Bacon, and not Shakespeare, was the author of the Plays. In order that we may have a really good discussion afterwards, we hope that those who intend to be present will take some trouble to acquaint themselves with the subject matter of the debate. There will be no meeting on April 2nd, as this is Easter Monday.

CONCERT.

On Saturday, 24th inst., at 2.30 p.m., we are to have what will probably prove the most delightful of any of the fine musical treats we have had at 194, Queen's Gate. Mr. Zacharewitsche, the world-famous violinist, offered, several weeks ago, to give a concert for the Association, and his kind proposal was at once accepted. Those Members who had the good fortune to be in residence when he dined at the Club recently and played to us afterwards, can understand with what keen anticipation we may all look forward to the 24th. Mr. Zacharewitsche will take the chief part of the programme, Miss Kathleen Dawn will sing several songs, and Mr. Harold Horton is coming up to London in order to give some of his delightful recitations.

Tickets for the Concert can be procured from the Secretary.

MARRIAGE.

We have to announce the marriage of Miss Elsie Walton to Dr. Butler (Director of Laboratories in Tanganyika Territory, East Africa). We offer congratulations and good wishes to both.

DONATIONS.

GENERAL PURPOSES FUND.

Miss Bishop, £1; Miss Clare Brunt, 16s.; Mrs. Phelan, 15s.; Mrs. Earp, 5s.; Misses A. Bird, E. Carter, C. Clarke, 2s. 6d.; Miss D'Arcy, 1s.

CLUB FUND.

Miss A. B. Curtis, £1 5s.; Miss L. Cheetham, 5s.; Miss E. Chippendale, 5s.

SETTLEMENT FUND.

Miss Mary Howard, 10s.; Miss C. Clarke, 2s. 6d.; Miss A. Gray, 3s.

HELENA BENEVOLENT FUND.

Misses A. Bird, C. Clarke, A. Gray, 2s. 6d.; Miss M. Smith, 1s.

GIFTS TO THE CLUB.

Lady Bowden Smith, Box at the Albert Hall; Miss Donaldson, theatre tickets; Miss Jackson, flowers; Miss Wharton, concert tickets; Miss Bylett, cream; Miss Cobbett, flowers and fruit; Miss Goodrich, flowers; Miss Harnett, cream; Miss A. E. Macdonald, flowers; Miss Pike, canary and cage; and Miss Swaby Smith, rhubarb.

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