

to help in answer to our request and particularly to Miss Cecilia Liddiatt, who has canvassed every day for long hours. Miss Liddiatt never does anything by halves and she has a very lively sense of the debt which her profession owes to the Conservative candidate for South-West St. Pancras.

#### RECEPTION TO MEET MISS REIMANN.

A reception has been arranged, to be held at the Royal British Nurses' Association Club on Friday, December 7th, from 4-6 p.m., to meet Miss C. Reimann, Hon. Secretary of the International Council of Nurses. Tea (1s.) will be served in the drawing-room, and after the wonderful tales she has heard of the hospitality and culinary art of Danish nurses, Miss Macdonald is on her mettle to show Miss Reimann what can be done in this country in glowing fires, cakes and scones, even if the fashioning of ice-cream, as delectably served in Denmark, remains for ever a secret.

#### DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE: "ELIZA COMES TO STAY."

We remind all our readers of the dramatic performance which is to take place to-night (Saturday) at 8 p.m., at 194, Queen's Gate. "Eliza Comes to Stay" is to be performed there by the Burnt Ash Dramatic Club, which has already given very successful performances of the same piece. We have not yet sold so many tickets as we had hoped, probably because both the nurses and the office staff have been concentrating on the election but we trust that the members will turn out in full force and fill the room to-night. We are specially desirous of having a very good audience as the money resulting from the performance is to go towards the Princess Christian Memorial Fund, and we know that this will appeal very deeply to the hearts of the R.B.N.A. members. Arrangements for the performance were made by Miss Alice Cattell, a member who has done more for the Association than most nurses know, so that we want a bumper attendance to show our goodwill to her. We are likely to have a very merry and amusing time at this the first dramatic performance at our Club. The beautiful and spacious stage, the gift of Mrs. Campbell Thomson, is to be in use.

#### SALE OF WORK.

We hope that a large number of the London members will make a point of coming to 194, Queen's Gate for the Sale of Work, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 11th inst. As they are aware, this sale is to be held for the benefit of the Trained Nurses' Annuity Fund for Aged Nurses, and we ask as many town members to come as possible and so co-operate with many in the country who have sent us beautiful gifts, but who are unable, to come up to make purchases. The nurses are always most generous in connection with this sale and we are very grateful indeed for the large number of presents which we have received. These are in great variety; there are beautiful sketches,

lovely embroideries and most delectable cakes and sweets. Those who have to lay in a stock of Christmas presents will find a very ample choice of gifts at very moderate cost, and without meeting with all the unpleasantness and inconvenience associated with Christmas crowds in the shops. Upon the success of the sale it will depend whether or not we can add another nurse to our list of annuitants, and so we ask all to show their goodwill and to come along and help on the 11th.

#### CHRISTMAS SUNDAY.

The working nurses propose to entertain the nurses belonging to the Trained Nurses' Annuity Fund, the nurses at the Princess Christian Settlement Home, and other retired nurses at the Club on Sunday, 23rd inst., at 4 p.m. Any members who wish to take part in showing this hospitality to the early members of the Association and the profession should send a donation, not to exceed one shilling, to the Secretary. We hope that many will co-operate with us in trying to give our guests a very happy afternoon.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY.

Several members have already written to notify us of their intention to spend Christmas week at the Club. We should be glad if the members in London, who are to dine at the Club on Christmas Day, will give us notice of this a few days beforehand. On that day we will have tea in the drawing room at 4 p.m. and dinner at the usual hour—7 o'clock. The members now in residence have proposed that it should be a fancy dress dinner and that we shall have dancing afterwards; therefore, we are arranging for this and that prizes will be given for the three best costumes. The dresses need not be at all expensive, as very often the best fancy dresses are made from the simplest and most economical materials, while, on the other hand, an ordinary evening dress can often be transformed into fancy dress by just a few little clever and characteristic touches.

#### DANCE.

We have received several enquiries as to whether we are to have a dance at the Club this year. We are trying to arrange this for the first Friday in February and we shall be glad to hear from members who will help us to make it a success. Miss Birse, M.R.B.N.A., has got the promise of a piper for the occasion, so we advise the Scottish members to practise their reels.

#### DONATIONS.

*General Fund.*—Sydney Pitt, Esq., £21.  
*Club.*—Miss Starke, £1; Miss M. Ker, 15s.; Anon, 5s.; Miss Rossiter, 3s. 6d.  
*Settlement Fund.*—Miss Whitford, £1 6s.; Miss Dawson, £1 1s. 6d.; Anon, 2s. 6d.  
*Helena Benevolent Fund.*—Miss E. Davies, 10s.; Miss S. E. Stephenson, 5s.

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