

NURSING ECHOES.

We have to thank many readers from abroad for cards and kind wishes for the festive season. One which we value greatly comes from Lavinia L. Dock from Fayetteville, Penn.: "With love and remembrances for both of you, and best wishes for the children and grandchildren."

To the genius, honour, and love of Miss Dock the nurses of the whole world owe more than they know—or can ever repay. Would that she could come to England once more, and inspire the present generation with her beautiful and selfless ideals!

The Executive Committee of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses met in London on December 7th. Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Warren Crooke-Lawless, who presided, referred to the loss sustained by the Institute by the departure of the Earl of Athlone for South Africa, and a resolution was passed expressing the Committee's appreciation of the valuable services rendered by him as Hon. Treasurer.

The report showed that 111 nursing associations had been affiliated during the month of November, and that since the last meeting 86 nurses had been added to the Roll of Queen's Nurses, and 47 nurses had been engaged for district training with a view to their becoming Queen's Nurses. Long-service badges had been awarded to nine Queen's Nurses, on the completion of 21 years' service for the Institute, and the same number had received gratuities of £30 from the Queen's Nurses' Benefit Fund.

The Countess of Mar and Kellie, President of the Scottish Council presided at the Annual Meeting of the Scottish Branch of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, held recently in the Council Hall, City Chambers, Glasgow.

The Report for the year ended October 31st stated that there were 353 nursing associations affiliated to the Council, employing 567 nurses. During the year fourteen (eleven newly formed) associations became affiliated. The financial statement was inspiring: a debit balance of over £2,100 on the previous year's account had been wiped off, and a sum of £275 added to the general funds.

The Institute's 567 nurses attended to 95,384 cases during the past year, and paid 1,538,764 visits. Apart from saving life, and hastening convalescence, they brought comfort into the

homes of thousands of people all over the country.

Professor J. R. Currie, Professor of Public Health at Glasgow University, in moving the adoption of the Report, said the standard of nursing set by the Council was very high, which was the reason why the name of Queen's Nurses enjoyed prestige and commanded respect, and Miss Violet Robertson, Convener of the Child Welfare Committee of Glasgow Corporation, who seconded, said they had seen homes really transformed by Queen's Nurses, who were indeed health missionaries; and Dr. Lauchlan MacLean Watt, of Glasgow Cathedral, said that those of them whose lot had been cast in big cities of suffering and penury knew what the work of the Queen's Nurses meant. The Institute was one of the finest ministries of helpfulness and hope that he knew of anywhere.

The report was approved.

The first members' meeting of the United Nursing Services Club, Ltd., one of the best-managed Clubs for nurses which we know, was held on December 12th in the drawing-room at No. 34, Cavendish Square.

Brigadier-General R. H. More, C.M.G., C.B.E., who presided, said that the success of the Club was to be found in the present state of its accounts, which up to August, 1922, had shown a deficit of £972, the second year, which ended in August last, had shown a profit of £202. He congratulated the Board of Directors, to whom great credit was due, as well as the Secretary, Miss M. F. Steele, on having proved such a competent manager.

Miss B. M. Miller, who explained the financial position, said that had the majority of promises received from those who had undertaken to join the Club been fulfilled, the balance-sheet would have been on the right side from the first.

The Secretary will, we know, be pleased to show visitors over the Club, of which they will long to become members.

"In the faith of Jesus Christ we dedicate this tablet and permanent cot to the honour and glory of Almighty God and in loved and honoured memory of the past and present nursing staff of this hospital."

Such was the beautiful dedication made by the Bishop of Sheffield when he unveiled the brass tablet in the Edgar Allen Ward of the Royal Hospital, Sheffield, which commemorates the devotion and self-sacrifice of the pre-

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