

## THE MOTHERCRAFT TRAINING SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the Mothercraft Training Society was held at 29, Trebovir Road, on Monday, June 2nd, at 3.30 p.m., H.R.H. the Duchess of York graciously presiding.

Lady Galway, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, in proposing the adoption of the Annual Report, spoke of the aims of the Society and of the steady growth of the work, which had for some time past outgrown its present quarters. A beautiful old-world house, Cromwell House at Highgate, had been bought, but would need extensive alterations and additions to fit it for the Society's work, and it was estimated that about £13,000 would have to be spent. A Special Building Fund had been started, to which past students had contributed the splendid sum of £175, and donations from members of the Committee and from a large circle of friends had already brought in the first £1,000, but the remainder had yet to be collected.

Dr. Jewesbury, the Hon. Medical Director, spoke of the large increase in the number of out-patient attendances — 4,767 as compared with 3,650 in 1923—these alone showed how greatly needed the larger premises were. The doctor also referred to the fact that there had only been two deaths during the year; which, considering the condition in which babies were so often admitted, was most fortunate.

### COMING EVENTS.

*July 4th.*—League of Red Cross Societies. Presentation of Certificates to Students completing the International Course on Public Health Nursing, 1923-1924. Bedford College for Women, London, N.W., 4 p.m.

*July 5th.*—League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses. General Meeting. 3 p.m. Social Gathering in the Great Hall.

*July 8th.*—Territorial Army Nursing Service. City and County of London. Special Meeting, Executive Committee, Mansion House. 11.30 a.m.

*July 8th.*—Women's Committee, British Empire Exhibition. Board of Trade, Storey's Gate, S.W. 12 noon.

*July 14th—19th.*—Royal Sanitary Institute. Thirty-fifth Congress and Health Exhibition at Liverpool.

*July 24th.*—National Council of Trained Nurses Meeting, 431, Oxford Street, London, W. 4.30 p.m.

*July 25th.*—General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Ministry of Health. 2.30.

### WORD FOR THE MONTH.

"To have one rose, we suffer from a thousand thorns."—*Jami.*

## OUTSIDE THE GATES.

### WOMEN'S WEEK AT WEMBLEY.

With the Queen as Patron of the Women's Section of the British Empire Exhibition, and the Duchess of York as President, the Women's Week, specially devoted to the interests of Women in the Dominions, is to take place at Wembley during the fourth week of July—July 21st-26th—promises to be a brilliant success. Each of the Dominions has arranged a programme for one day of the week, and the meetings are thrown open to the public by ticket, free of charge, except Exhibition entrance. Tickets may be had on application to the Secretary of the British Empire Exhibition, Wembley. The speakers will be prominent women from the particular Dominion.

The Sections are as follows:—*July 21st*, 11.30—1 o'clock, New Zealand. *July 22nd*, 11.30—1 o'clock, The Union of South Africa. *July 23rd*, 11—1 o'clock, The Australian Commonwealth. *July 24th*, 11.30—1 o'clock, Canada. *July 25th*, 11.30—1 o'clock, The Indian Empire. *July 26th*, 2.30—4 o'clock, Newfoundland.

H.R.H. Princess Arthur of Connaught has graciously consented to be present on the South Africa Day, H.H. Princess Helena Victoria on the Days for Canada, New Zealand and India, H.H. Princess Marie Louise on the Days for Australia, South Africa and Newfoundland, and the Lady Patricia Ramsay on the Day for Canada.

We are indebted for the accompanying portrait to the courtesy of the Editor of *The Gentlewoman*.

The Central Council for Infant and Child Welfare has organised a Child Welfare Centre near the north entrance, where visitors will be able to leave their babies and small children while exploring the grounds.



HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUCHESS OF YORK.  
President, Women's Section, British Empire Exhibition.

Many women's organisations are holding conferences during the course of the Exhibition—our National Council of Women organised a series from June 16th to 21st, and the College of Nursing, Ltd., from September 10th to 17th.

In the House of Commons, on June 25th, Sir T. Bramsdon asked the Home Secretary what is the present position of the Departmental Committee which he has decided to set up to inquire into the question of assaults on girls; and whether he is in a position to state who the members of that Departmental Committee will be.

Mr. Henderson replied that he regretted the delay in setting up this Committee, which has been largely due to a difficulty in connection with the appointment of a chairman. He now hopes to be in a position to proceed with the appointment very shortly.

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