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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT.

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT, DUCHESS OF FIFE.

MY DEAR FELLOW-NURSES,—

I thank you very sincerely for the kind words with which you welcome me to the Presidency, and for the honour which your Council have conferred upon me by electing me to hold this office.

I look forward so much to participating with you in your schemes for the progress of the Profession of Nursing, for the good of the Association, and for the benefit of the Nurses individually.

In conclusion I would add my tribute to your own when you refer to the work of Her Royal Highness, the late Princess Christian. The welfare of the Profession and its members was a matter of life-long interest to her, and her memory will indeed be an inspiration to us all to add to the traditions of the Royal British Nurses' Association.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

ALEXANDRA, *President.*

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London, S.W.

PRINCESS CHRISTIAN MEMORIAL.

ANOTHER GENEROUS DONOR.

We have to acknowledge another most generous donation from a member of the R.B.N.A. Miss Cecilia Liddiatt has forwarded to us a donation of twenty-one pounds with the comment that everyone should make some sacrifice towards completing the Endowment Fund, and that her contribution towards it was the enclosed cheque—the full amount received for a case which she had just finished. We warmly thank Miss Liddiatt for her wonderful and most generous gift to the Princess Christian Memorial Fund.

INVITATION.

To have the honour of meeting Her Royal Highness, the Princess Arthur of Connaught (President of the Royal British Nurses' Association), the Council of the Corporation request the pleasure of the company of the members of the Association, at 194, Queen's Gate, on Thursday, February 21st, at 4 p.m.

FRENCH NURSES ADMIRE OUR PRESIDENT.

We have been requested by the Editor of *La Dame de la Lampe*, the official organ of the Ecole Florence Nightingale at Bagatelle, Bordeaux, to permit her to use "the beautiful plate" of the President, which appeared in our Supplement last month. The fact that an English Royal Princess has the right to use the titular letters S.R.N. after her name, has aroused much interest amongst the pupils

of the Ecole, which is, under the direction of Dr. Anna Hamilton, the most efficiently organised Nurse Training School in France. Permission has been given with pleasure to use the block, which members of the R.B.N.A. also greatly admired.

CLUB CALENDAR.

For the dates of the various fixtures at the Club for the month of February, members should refer to Official Announcements in the advertisement columns and Coming Events, and we hope that they will show their appreciation of our efforts to develop the social side of the Club by attending as many of these gatherings as they are able to.

We look forward to a very merry evening on February 1st, when we are to have our annual Dance. We held this in the autumn on former occasions, but it was felt by the members that it ought to be postponed because of the sad loss which the Association sustained during the summer. On Saturday, February 9th, at 3 p.m., Mr. Chao Hain Chu (Acting Minister of China in London), is to give a lecture on "The Backbone of China," which will certainly prove exceedingly interesting. Then, on Saturday, February 16th, at 11 a.m., "The Ramblers" are to commence a tour of the Zoological Gardens, to be conducted by Miss Anderson Parsons, F.R.Z.S. Miss Parsons may be said to be on terms of intimacy with practically every denizen of the Gardens, and the animals love to see her coming; even the least tame are ready to be fondled by her and stand amiably by while she recounts their points and life history. It is requested that each member who joins us on the 16th will bring some offering for the four-footed inhabitants of the "Zoo." Nuts, fruit and vegetables will all prove very acceptable. We have been able to secure several tickets from Fellows for the use of the "Ramblers," but we ask nurses to give us several days' notice of their intention to join us on the 16th, if they wish to have these free tickets.

But the day we look forward to most of all is that on which we gather to welcome the President, and we hope to see large numbers of the members on this occasion. Many members who live far from London have written, expressing the greatest regret that professional duties, combined with their remoteness from town, must prevent their coming; we send to all a most cordial invitation to be present on the 21st, in order that they may have the pleasure of meeting Her Royal Highness.

Then we ask all members to help Miss Cattell in another effort towards the success of the Memorial to our late beloved President. Miss Cattell has arranged what should prove a perfectly delightful concert, and it has cost her no small amount of trouble. Every member in London can, if she will, sell two tickets, and those in the country can help us very much by writing to their friends in town to ask them to take tickets. Opportunity is thus offered to make another step forward, towards the purpose we have in view, and we ask all to unite in using this. There will be songs by Miss Gwladys Naish, Miss Dorothy Clark, and Mr. Holmes Canham. Mr. Adams will give some humorous recitations.

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