

of him that he should take an interest in the construction of the new Home because he had taken such a warm interest in nurses, and had done so much to advance their interests. The Royal British Nurses' Association owed to him a very great deal, and through his work there he had done much to improve the status of the profession.

The Prince expressed the hope and belief that the debt incurred by the new extensions would soon be wiped off by the generosity of the public.

A dedicatory Prayer was next offered by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Willesden, D.D. His Royal Highness then declared the new buildings opened, unlocked the door with a key presented by the architect, and unveiled a Tablet in the porch commemorative of the occasion.

Visitors were conducted over the Home by Members of the Nursing Staff and entertained by the Matron to a delightful tea in the Out-patients' department.

The King on his visit to Stoke-on-Trent with the Queen on June 5th, for the purpose of laying the Foundation Stone of extensions to the North Staffordshire Infirmary, gave immense pleasure by bestowing upon the institution the title of Royal.

His Majesty said, in the course of his speech, that all that he had heard of the character, administration, and efficiency of this great Infirmary was most satisfactory, and he had much pleasure in acceding to the request that it shall in future be known as the North Staffordshire Royal Infirmary.

The Royal party made a brief tour of some of the wards, including the children's ward, conducted by Dr. Horner and Dr. Sowry, honorary physicians, Mr. R. Alcock and Mr. W. C. Allardice, honorary surgeons, and Miss MacMaster, matron.

The Foundation Stone, which is of Dumfries granite, bears the following inscription:—"His Majesty King George V, accompanied by Her Majesty Queen Mary, laid this stone 5th June, 1925. Samuel Clowes, M.P., president; W. Stevenson, house governor."

The Queen will open a new ward for paying patients at the Hospital for Women, Soho Square, W., on July 7th.

The amount realised by the Grosvenor House Fête in aid of the Children's Hospital, Paddington Green, was £2,000 12s. 5d.

The rebuilding fund of the Middlesex Hospital is being well supported, and close upon £150,000 has already been contributed.

At the fifteenth annual conference of the British Hospitals Association held at Manchester on June 25th and succeeding days, Sir William Milligan outlined a plan for the organisation of a "pay" hospital in conjunction with some of the large voluntary hospitals. He desired that such a hospital should be in intimate relationship with a large general hospital, sharing lighting, heating, catering, laundry, and nursing services, and should be under a board of management representing the present institution and also the preference shareholders contributing to the capital for building and equipping the "pay hospital," together with co-opted persons interested in hospital administration.

At the celebration of Founder's Day at Lord Mayor Treloar's Cripples' Hospital and College, Alton, Hants, a memorial bust of Sir William Treloar, whose work for crippled children is known throughout the world, was unveiled by the Lord Chancellor (Lord Cave). The bust, by Mr. Alfred Toft, is of the founder in his robes and chain of office as Lord Mayor of London.

The Duchess of York will be present at the annual meeting of the Mothercraft Training Society, Cromwell House, Highgate, on Friday.

The Laura Spellman Rockefeller Memorial has granted \$100,000 (£20,000) to McGill University and the University of Toronto for a nursery school of laboratory type.

#### THE NEW HOME OF THE B.M.A.

When the King opens the new home of the British Medical Association in Tavistock Square on July 13th, the Archbishop of Canterbury, before the opening ceremony, will dedicate the memorial gates, erected from the design of Sir Edwin Lutyens, R.A., as a tribute to members of the British Medical Association who fell in the Great War.

#### NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE SUMMER CAMP, 1925.

Let me tell you a little about our Summer Camp: What it is and what we do. As in former years the Camp is being held at Sandsend for a fortnight. "Sandsend?" you say, "never heard of it, cannot find it on the map." Oh, yes, it is there, in a most delightful spot too, near to Whitby. This Camp is not under canvas, as is the usual idea of a camp, but over twenty members of the Nursing Profession are lodged in "Normanby House," beautifully situated near to the sea, the Church and the woods. We come from a great variety of nursing experience, at home and overseas, and we represent fourteen different training schools.

Now, as to what we do—I will try to tell you. Arriving at Sandsend Station after a long journey, I was met by a party of the campers who brought me to the house. After supper we met in the sitting-room, when Miss Wyon from China talked to us about the work in her mission hospital. Then came a few moments of silent prayer and intercessions for our members in different parts of the world. Afterwards we retired to our bedrooms to sleep soundly (I know I did!) till awakened with an early cup of tea. Each day those who wished attended Morning Prayer in Sandsend Church, just outside our gate, and after breakfast came short family prayers, after which we did as we pleased till dinner, some bathing, some sitting on the shore, some exploring the lovely woods. In the afternoon we went to Whitby and visited the Abbey ruins and the old parish church, a very interesting place with high backed pews and curious pulpit. Other enjoyable excursions have been to the moors at Grosmont and to the old castle in Normanby Park. On the two former expeditions we returned to the ever-welcome tea-shop for tea, on the latter we had a delightful pic-nic tea under a weeping ash tree. On Wednesday we began a series of Bible study circles, which are being a great help to us, as by exchange of thought we get fresh light on the meaning of the Holy Scriptures. We are studying "The Meaning of Prayer" (Fosdick), especially prayer as communion with God, God's care for the individual and Prayer and the goodness of God.

At our evening meetings Miss Buck from Delhi, Miss Wyon from Shanghai, and Miss Sutherland from Madras have given us accounts of the work of their stations abroad and Mrs. Richmond from Egypt has spoken on "Missionary life from within."

Such were our doings during the first week, and as I write we are beginning our second week together. Sunday was a day of beautiful peace, beginning with Holy Communion in Sandsend Church and closing with a walk through the woods to Lythe Church for Evensong. On Monday we again met for our Bible Study Circle, and in the evening we listened to an address on the Holy Spirit by the Rev. M. H. Richmond, in which in a very deep and real sense we felt ourselves in the presence of God Himself. Truly we offer thanksgiving to Him for all His help and goodness to us in these days of Camp.

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