

tea, served in the Nurses' sitting-room. Dainty sandwiches and cakes made by a former cook, Mrs. Robinson, well-known to most League members, and the ever welcome cup of tea were enjoyed to the accompaniment of the usual "gossip." Old acquaintances were renewed, and new ones formed. Distance and inclement weather had prevented many members from attending, and several letters of apology were received; but among others we were glad to welcome Miss Martin, home on furlough from the C.M.S. Hospital in Cairo.

FLORENCE M. EMBRY.
Hon. Secretary.

The Leicester League Journal.

Miss C. E. Vincent, R.R.C., President of the Leicester Royal Infirmary League, writes in the League Journal just to hand:

"The various meetings and discussions (of the International Congress of Nurses at Helsingfors) have been fully reported in the Nursing Press and will have been read, I hope, by all of you, and I am only going to mention here the memory of a personal touch which came to me on seeing that the President of the Congress was the Baroness Mannerheim, now Matron of the Surgical Hospital, Helsingfors.

"I well remember the Baroness Mannerheim in my probationer days at St. Thomas's Hospital when, as Nurse Mannerheim, she made a charming pro-tem. Sister for a time in the Nightingale Home there. Tall, well set up and dignified in bearing, she was the type of woman who readily commanded respect, and it was evident in those early days of her career that she would leave her mark on the Nursing World, and so it has been."

TRIBUTE TO MISS PELL SMITH.

We note with pleasure, the following tribute from Medical Practitioners in Leicester to the good work of Miss Pell Smith as Superintendent of the Home Hospital in de Montford Square:—

Dear Sister Pell Smith,

We, practical practitioners in Leicestershire, desire to express to you our appreciation of your work at the Home Hospital.

We wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge with gratitude many past kindnesses, and to thank you for your devoted care of our patients. Our esteem and good wishes go with you in your retirement, and we have much pleasure in handing you this souvenir and cheque as a token thereof.

We trust that you may long enjoy the blessings of health, and the happiness that comes of satisfactory work, well done.

The letter was signed by 34 medical practitioners.

MEDALS AND PRIZES.

The following are the Medalists and Prize-winners in 1925:—

The Gold Medal for 1925 was awarded to Nurse Barbara Lewis.

The Silver Medal to Nurse Kathleen Whelan.
The Bronze Medal to Nurse Muriel Densham.
The Senior Book Prize to Nurse Dorothy Hill.
The 2nd Year Prize to Nurse Winifred M. L. Moss.
The 1st Year Prize to Nurse Olive M. Shipp.

GLASGOW ROYAL INFIRMARY NURSES' LEAGUE.

The Sale of Work organised by the Glasgow Royal Infirmary Nurses' League, in aid of the Cot Endowment Fund, realised the sum of £147. All Glasgow Royal Infirmary Nurses will be interested to know that the Cot Endowment Fund is now completed.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

A Meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at 20, Portland Place, W.1, on Friday, December 18th, SIR WILMOT HERRINGHAM, K.C.M.G., Chairman of the Council, presiding.

Minutes.

Arising out of the Minutes, MISS DU SAUTOY asked whether correspondence was not printed on the minutes in order that it might be on record. She was of opinion that this was the usual procedure.

THE CHAIRMAN stated that the Motion was that the correspondence presented at the last meeting (the letter and Resolutions of the Registered Nurses' Parliamentary Council) should lie on the table. That meant that it was not inscribed on the Minutes.

Correspondence.

THE CHAIRMAN reported that a letter had been received from the Royal Sanitary Institute, inviting it to send delegates to a Conference in the Guildhall, London, from July 5th-10th. If any members of the Council were attending they might be willing to represent it. He thought DR. SMEDLEY would probably be going. MRS. EUSTACE HILLS said that she would be attending in connection with the National Society of Day Nurseries.

MISS MUSSON considered that the Council should send a trained nurse. Many questions arose in relation to babies and young children, concerning which they had expert knowledge which was of importance.

MISS DU SAUTOY expressed her willingness to represent the Council.

THE CHAIRMAN said that £1 11s. 6d. would have to be paid for a ticket and report of the proceedings for each member appointed.

The question was raised as to whether the Council had not decided not to send Official Representatives to Public Conferences.

MISS COX DAVIES said she was sure this was so. As the Registrar was apparently unable to give the requisite information on this point, the question of the appointment of delegates was postponed to the next meeting.

Report of the Finance Committee.

The Council approved the payment of Bills and Claims submitted, the sum of £100 for stamps, £20 for Insurance stamps, and £15 for Petty Cash. Also that on the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee eight 5-drawer-section Card Index Cabinets should be purchased at £6 each, and three Cupboards at a cost of £11.

It also approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee "that the sum of £48 16s. 6d. be paid to the Architect, being additional account for supplying extra plans for Public Authorities, and payment for time and expenses in connection with consultations with these authorities, also the sum of £47 3s. 6d. being percentage on accounts for fittings and furniture supplied by the Builders, Council Room Table, Blinds, &c."

It was agreed for the purpose of adapting the present Council Room Table, two extra small tables be purchased at a cost of £6 2s. 6d. each.

The Committee reported that the House Committee appointed by Council on February 15th, 1924, was dissolved on November 9th, 1925, and that any matter pertaining to the House will be considered in future by the General Purposes Committee for Recommendation to the Finance Committee.

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