

Royal British Nurses' Association.

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THIS SUPPLEMENT BEING THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE CORPORATION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

As has already been intimated to the members, the annual general meeting will take place at 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 23rd. Tea will be provided after the business part of the meeting is over, and we hope that there will be a large attendance of members.

All ballot papers should be returned to the office not later than June 20th, and careful attention should be given to the directions which have been sent out with these.

AUSTRALIAN BRANCH OF THE R.B.N.A.

Address of the Australian Branch of the Royal British Nurses' Association to the Duke and Duchess of York on the occasion of Their Royal Highnesses' visit to Adelaide.

The following Address was presented to Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York by the Australian Branch on the occasion of their visit to Adelaide:—

To Their Royal Highnesses,

The Duke and Duchess of York.

May it please Your Royal Highnesses,—We the Committee of the Royal British Nurses' Association (South Australian Branch) most respectfully and loyally present to you our most bounden duty, which we trust your Royal Highnesses will be most graciously pleased to accept.

On the occasion of the visit of Their Majesties in 1901, Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Mary—your beloved mother—graciously deigned to inaugurate our Branch. During the memorable visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, he was graciously pleased to receive our officers and to accept loyal greetings to Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary from this Branch.

It is again our most cherished privilege to pay our loyal obeisance to Their Majesties through the welcome presence of your Royal Highnesses. May it please your Royal Highnesses to convey to Their Majesties those greetings from us.

We would also wish to be allowed to express to your Royal Highnesses, on behalf of our members who now number 620 (many of whom saw service in the Great War), our most earnest and prayerful solicitude over your journeyings from the moment of your embarkation, and *Bon Voyage* and God speed on your homeward tour.

Signed on behalf of the South Australian Branch of the Royal British Nurses' Association.

M. B. MARTIN,
Lady Consul.

WINIFRED MULLANEY,
Secretary.

H. H. E. RUSSELL, O.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P.,
President of the Branch Association.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AUSTRALIAN BRANCH OF THE R.B.N.A.

The annual report of our Australian Branch for the past year shows, on the accounts, a profit of £9 6s. 6d., which is exceedingly satisfactory, in view of the fact that the expenditure for repairs, renewals and additions to furnishing has been greater than usual. We read with pleasure that many members have received very important appointments in Australia. Dr. Helen Mayo has taken the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and we note that Miss Mitchell has been appointed Inspector of Factories, a position to which too few nurses have attained in this country, although it is one of the most highly paid and important departments of Public Health work. The other appointments mentioned are chiefly to Matronships of hospitals.

With deep regret, the death is reported of Sister E. M. Goodlee, from a tragic shooting accident. Miss Goodlee was, it is stated, exceedingly beloved by her colleagues in Australia.

There would appear to be a certain scarcity of private nurses in Adelaide; it is mentioned that, during the year with which the Report deals, 243 calls for nurses had to be refused.

The report closes with an exceedingly cordial reference to the foundation of the British College of Nurses in London. Evidently our Australian Branch is on the alert in connection with all that takes place in the Profession, both at home and abroad; it will be remembered that it was chiefly due to the energy of the Branch Association that an Act for State Registration was passed in Adelaide not very long after the Acts in this country were placed upon the Statute Book.

The new secretary of the Branch Association is indeed much to be congratulated upon her first annual report.

THE PRINCESS CHRISTIAN SETTLEMENT HOME.

As there is a probability that a room will shortly be vacant at the Settlement Home the time seems opportune for giving a short account of the Home, which was established by the energy and generosity of Members of the Royal British Nurses' Association, a piece of work which is much to their credit and has been of great value, from time to time, to numbers of their fellow Members.

The Home is a beautiful old 18th century house, the property of a Mayor of Hackney very many years ago. Unlike many houses of that time it has a very large amount of window space, which adds in no small degree to the cheerfulness and healthfulness of the rooms and makes them particularly acceptable to nurses; not only is there abundance of light but the outlook from the Home is particularly pleasant. In the front lies the well-kept public garden of the Square with its trees, flowers and numbers of children at play. Beyond that stands the fine

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