

The Ramblers.

The visit of "The Ramblers" to the printing offices of *The Times* proved an exceedingly interesting experience and gave us a wonderful insight into the tremendous evolution of the printers' art. We were astonished by the complexity of the great printing machines and the extraordinary compass of their functioning. We visited every department of work in the daily preparation of this greatest of England's newspapers, finishing up by examining machines which turn out 26,000 newspapers per hour; upon them hang massive rolls of paper measuring five miles in length. Some of the nurses expressed the opinion that this was the most interesting ramble we have had, and our courteous guide certainly spared himself no pains to show us every detail which might prove of interest.

Handicraft Section.

The nurses in the Association interested in arts and crafts have decided to have an exhibition at the club in the late spring. Among our members we have artists, leather workers, basket makers, potters, many who do very beautiful needlework, one who sews lovely pictures, another who spins, and still another who copies old tapestries.

We give notice thus early of the exhibition we propose to arrange in the hope that some of the members will either prepare some special pieces of work for it or will arrange that work they have already disposed of can be lent. We are forming a small committee among the nurses to make arrangements, and we shall be glad to hear from any who are interested in promoting the scheme and making it a success.



A NEW PICTURE OF THE HALL AND STAIRCASE, ROYAL BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION CLUB, 194, QUEEN'S GATE, LONDON, S.W.

Invitation.

Miss Isabel Macdonald will be "At Home" to members and friends on Saturday, November 19th, from 4 to 6 p.m., and she asks the readers of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING to take this announcement as an invitation.

Sale of Work.

The Sale of Work for the House Beautiful Fund will take place on Wednesday 30th November from 2 to 6 p.m.

WHAT DID HE MEAN?

The following astonishing story was told me at my V.A.D. Class as a reason why the students should be given a talk

on obstetrics. The student had recently been travelling, and her fellow passenger gave her the cheerful intelligence that she was expecting a baby shortly and she hoped it would not arrive before the train reached its destination. Alas, her optimism was not justified; the baby came on the journey and the student found herself in a dilemma. She was, however, resourceful; she had been "on the land" during the War and had officiated at the birth of many a calf. Now on her railway journey she was faced with the problem of what to do with a choking baby. She remembered that often a calf's life had been saved by holding on to its tongue until respiration was fully established. She followed the inspiration this memory brought, and all was well.

In relating the story to a medical friend, he confessed that he much doubted whether it was possible to hold on to a baby's short tongue long enough to be effectual. He meditatively asked me: "What was the sex of the child?" and on my replying "Female" he said, "Oh! then it was possible, quite possible"!!

J. H.

OBITUARY.

We have received with deep regret news of the death of Mrs. A. E. Hindley on October 31st. She joined the Association in 1919.

DONATIONS.

GENERAL PURPOSES FUND.—Mrs. Northwood, 10s.; Miss Bickerton, 5s.; Misses Constance Clarke and A-Giffen, 2s. 6d.; Miss Florence Heap, 2s.

HOUSE BEAUTIFUL FUND.—Miss E. M. Davies, £3 3s.; Miss Hulme, £1 1s.; Mrs. Northwood, Miss Flora Macdonald, £1; Mrs. Dodge (per Miss Kitchen), Mrs. Stephens, Misses Carson Rae, Fisher, Mary Howard

A. Osler, 10s.; Miss Van Dyk, 6s.; Misses Birch, E., Birse, G. Blacklock, Ellen Freear, Jones, E. Spearing, 5s.; Miss Agnew, 2s.; Miss E. Pemberton, 2s.

HELENA BENEVOLENT FUND.—Hon. Evan Morgan and Miss P. F. Watt, R.R.C., £1 1s.; Mrs. H. Murray, 10s.; Misses S. J. Munro and M. A. Yale, 5s.; Miss A. E. Hawes, 4s.; Miss Bickerton, R.R.C., 3s.; Misses Constance Clarke and Maxwell-Moffatt, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Boake and Fulham Hospital Nurses, 2s.; Mrs. Chesney, Misses M. J. Hughes, E. B. Lugar, I. M. Ralph and E. P. Webb, 1s.

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