

of her work as Matron during the last 18 years. Dr. Gordon Pugh, Medical Superintendent, was in the chair, and other Medical Officers were present.

Dr. Gordon Pugh spoke in appreciative terms of Miss Winnill's work, and Miss Kennett, Acting Matron, spoke on behalf of former members of the Staff, and on their behalf presented to Miss Winnill a sheaf of letters. Staff Nurse Walsh spoke for the present Nurses; and the Assistant Chaplain, the Rev. L. A. H. Isaac, said many kind things.

Dr. Gordon Pugh then presented to Miss Winnill, together with a cheque, a beautiful little brown and gold album with the inscription:—"Presented to Miss Winnill on her retirement from the Matronship of Queen Mary's Hospital, with the affection and good wishes of those whose names are inscribed. October 17, 1927." Then follows a long list of names, including Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Pugh, present and former Medical Officers, Nursing, Massage, Clerical and Domestic Staff, also the Lay Readers and Male Staff. The names were most beautifully inscribed by Nurse Livingstone, now a Staff Nurse, who trained under Miss Winnill.

The Home Sister, Miss MacLennan, asked Miss Winnill's acceptance of a bouquet of lovely pink carnations and smilax and a pretty gold basket filled with white heather and tied with pale blue satin ribbon "with warmest affection from the Nurses."

Miss Winnill expressed her grateful thanks for the kind gifts and for the affection expressed, and asked the Staff to extend to her successor the same help and loyal service that they had always accorded to her. With the cheque she hoped to purchase a good wireless set, which would be a great joy to her in her new home, and perhaps a bureau. Other gifts were a beautiful little silver inkpot from Nurse Goss, and a pot of white heather from Nurse Brown.

A sumptuous tea was provided, the tables being charmingly decorated, as was the stage, with flowering plants and prettily shaded lamps.

The proceedings concluded with cheers for Miss Winnill, "for she's a jolly good fellow," "Auld Lang Syne," and "God Save the King."

#### THE PASSING BELL.

Many of our readers will learn with deep regret of the death of Sister Charlotte of the Community of St. Peter's, Kilburn, which recently took place at St. Peter's Home, Woking.

Sister Charlotte will best be remembered as Sister Superior of St. John's House, both at Norfolk Street, Strand, and Queen's Square, Bloomsbury. Keen, interested and eager, she was a staunch supporter of the movement for State Registration of Nurses, and founded the League of St. John's House Nurses at a time when the only League in this country was that of St. Bartholomew's Hospital. A charming personality, and a true and loyal friend, she will be greatly missed by those who had the privilege of her friendship. For several years she has been completely blind, and their loss is her exceeding gain.

The death of Miss Marian Frances Rumball, Matron of the Bramblewood Sanatorium, Kelling, Norfolk, removes from our midst a rare personality, a tireless worker and a genius in the profession in which she was so conspicuous an example. For many years she was Sister of the Children's Ward at the London Homœopathic Hospital, and while there arranged an exhibit for the Nursing Section of the Chicago Exhibition at the World Fair in 1893, which has never been surpassed, if it has been equalled, and repeated it at the Nursing Exhibition in London in 1896. While still at the London Homœopathic Hospital the Children's Sanatorium at Holt was founded through her exertions, and later, when she went to live in Norfolk, she carried on Bramblewood as a Sanatorium for Women. Among the numerous wreaths sent to her funeral was one bearing the inscription "With affectionate regard from the Chairman and members of the Committee of the London Homœopathic Hospital in remembrance of Sister Marian's many years' devotion to the Hospital and to her little patients in Barton Ward."

The death of Miss Annie Louisa Cox, late Matron, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, has occurred at Gilstead. Miss Cox, who was trained at Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, was Night Superintendent, and later Assistant Matron at Bristol General Hospital; and Lady Superintendent at Hull Royal Infirmary, and at Monsall Hospital, Manchester.

She was appointed as Matron in Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service in January, 1904, and served in South Africa from 1908 to 1912. On October 1st, 1918, she was placed on retired pay on account of ill-health.

Miss Cox was awarded the R.R.C. in 1916.

We record with sincere regret the death of Miss Ivy Gertrude Bennett, Sister, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, at Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, London, on 4th October, 1927, after a short illness.

Miss Bennett was trained at the Hospital of St. Bartholomew, Rochester, Kent, was a certified masseuse and a certified midwife.

She was appointed to Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service 1st April, 1922, and promoted Sister 1st July, 1926, serving at Home and with the British Army of the Rhine.

We offer our sincere sympathy to Captain and Mrs. Bennett in their great loss.

#### RECEPTION TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AT THE BOVRIL FACTORY.

Nearly 3,000 doctors from all parts of the country recently visited the great Bovril factory in Old Street, London, and were entertained to lunch. Every county contributed its quota, including doctors from the far North of Scotland, and the remote parts of Devon, Cornwall and Wales.

The visitors were welcomed by Sir George Lawson Johnston (Chairman), the Duke of Atholl, K.T. (Vice-Chairman), and other members of the Bovril board, and were then conducted in parties over the premises.

The processes of manufacture were followed with the keenest interest, from the blending of the extracts and essences in the great steam-jacketed pans, each capable of holding the concentrated juices of 300 oxen, and the incorporation with these of the beef fibrin and albumen which are so important a factor in the nutritive value of Bovril to the automatic filling, capping, labelling and boxing of the bottles. The finished Bovril is conveyed by pipes to the filling machines from the great storage tanks on the floor above, each of these wonderful machines being capable of filling 400 gross of bottles per day.

The final item in the programme, which was also much appreciated, was a cinematograph display of scientific films illustrating the activities in the blood of various micro-organisms.

#### THE TEAT WITH THE GREEN BAND.

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