

Rae, F.B.C.N., who had consented to present it to Miss Huxley, with an offering of flowers tied with soft petunia satin ribbon (the College colour) at the complimentary Dinner to be given in her honour at the Mills Hall, Dublin, by the Irish Matrons' Association, on June 30th.

Message to Miss Huxley.

The Council of the British College of Nurses desires to offer its most cordial congratulations to Miss Margaret Huxley, Foundation Fellow of the College, on the recognition of her pioneer work for the Higher Education of Nurses, and State Registration in Ireland, by the University of Dublin, in conferring upon her the Hon. Degree of Master of Arts.

The Council recognises that every pioneer movement not only in Ireland, but also in Great Britain, for the organisation of Nursing and Nurses, has had Miss Huxley's valuable and generous support, including the British (now Royal) Nurses' Association, the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, the Central Committee for the State Registration of Nurses, the International Council of Nurses of which she was a Foundation Member and Councillor, and, most recently, the British College of Nurses.

The Members of the Council of the British College of Nurses do not forget that during the Great War Miss Huxley often attended Meetings and took part in Deputations in London, often at great inconvenience and certainly at considerable risk to life, a risk she did not hesitate to take from the high sense of duty which has characterised all her actions.

The Council of the British College of Nurses desires to convey to Miss Huxley the assurance of its admiration for her life's work as a distinguished member of the Nursing Profession which she so greatly adorns, and of its affectionate regard for her personally.

It rejoices to know that the importance of her life's work for Ireland has been fittingly recognised by the Senate of Dublin University, and wishes her many years of health and happiness to enjoy the well merited distinction which it has conferred upon her.

The Badge.

A design for the Badge in silver was decided upon and will soon be obtainable at the Office. The design will appear in the JOURNAL next month, when Fellows and Members who wish for the Badge, price 7s. 6d., will be invited to notify the Secretary, so that an order may be given to the maker.

The design of the Badge is round, suspended from a Bar on which is inscribed, "The British College of Nurses." On the obverse side of the Badge, in the centre, is the head of the President taken from the Seal, and the watchwords, Knowledge, Service, Charity, Honour, surrounded by a raised wreath of oak leaves.

The Foundation Fellows and Members of the College are builders on fertile soil in which the king of trees—the oak—springs from the modest acorn, which is their symbol. In the past without the acorn, no oak; no trustworthy "wooden walls of old England," which sailed the seven seas, and carried our Flag and our virile blood to the uttermost parts of the earth. Now from all the glorious Dominions so peopled, their daughters are

eligible to unite in one self-governing British College of Nurses for the benefit of mankind.

The Council in designing the Badge would have it a sign of the strength and unity of British Nurses throughout the Empire, so that in their international relations, so happily defined in London in 1899, they may be united for fruitful world service.

Gifts to the College.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick: Antique Sugar Tongs, George III, 1775, pierced and engraved, with acorn tips, symbolical of the policy of the College—acorn to-day, oak tree to-morrow.

Miss Mary Chadwick: Fine Derby porcelain; three beautifully painted jardinières; two vases; and one inkstand (Minton).

Miss Bushby: Register of Nurses, 1928; "My Own Story," by Mrs. Pankhurst, beautifully bound for Isla Stewart Bookcase.

Miss P. Shekleton: Life of Josephine Butler.

Miss Ellis Rowell: Contemporary Medical Men, two vols.

Miss Beatrice Treasure, Miss I. Macdonald, and Mrs. Wates: Beautiful plants and flowers.

Other Business.

The following business was also transacted: The Annual Report to be presented at the coming Annual Meeting on July 11th was agreed. Fellows and Members were elected, and a satisfactory financial report received. An Insurance Scheme for Fellows and Members was approved. Arrangements for the Annual Dinner at the Hotel Metropole on July 10th, and the Annual Meeting and Reception at 39, Portland Place on July 11th were approved.

The Council learned with pleasure of the promotion of several Fellows and Members and directed that congratulations be sent to them.

Next Meeting.

The next meeting of the Council was fixed for Saturday, July 21st, at 2 p.m.

During August there will be no meeting of the Council. The meeting then terminated.

THE ANNUAL DINNER.

We hope that Fellows and Members who hope to attend the second Annual Dinner of this College, which will take place in the Whitehall Rooms of the Hotel Metropole, London, S.W., on Tuesday, July 10th, at 8 p.m., will secure tickets for themselves and their friends, as it will be necessary to arrange the plan of the tables very shortly.

The occasion will be a particularly interesting one, as the invitation is issued "to meet High Commissioners and Agents-General of the Dominions of the Empire," many of whom have accepted the invitation of the Council of the College to be present and speak at our "Dominion Dinner."

Tickets, price 12s. 6d. (exclusive of wine), can be procured from Miss G. R. Hale, R.R.C., Secretary, 39, Portland Place, London, W.1., and should be applied for immediately.

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