

Here the happy travellers soon began to arrive, all in the best of spirits, in anticipation of a wonderful time. Mrs. Fenwick said her farewells "with flowers," the recipients appreciating the compliment and the gift of "England's" roses—sweeter than those which bloom in any other land.

Coaches had been reserved, and as the clock neared ten all these privileged people and their numerous chattels were comfortably arranged. At last wheels revolved, and from open windows hands waved in final farewell, our last glimpse of the party resolved into bouquets—from every window waved roses and purple streamers, our Delegates faded away "saying it with flowers."

THE CONGRESS BOAT "ALAUNIA."

The Congress boat *Alaunia* left

Southampton for Montreal on Friday, June 28th, with upwards of seventy British nurses, members of our National Council of Nurses, and eighteen members of the National League of Trained Nurses of Finland, on board. We determined to welcome them at Waterloo, travel down to Southampton, and watch the *Alaunia* away—a veritable "Peri outside Paradise!"

So more English roses—and purple streamers!

Together with Miss Bushby, a member of the Montreal Sub-Committee, we were early on the platform.

Miss Alicia Lloyd-Still, C.B.E., R.R.C., Matron of St. Thomas's Hospital, Vice-President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, was the "star" on this occasion, and had kindly consented—as the only honorary officer of the Council on the *Alaunia*—to be consulted should occasion arise. On the platform Mrs. Fenwick, President, handed her a lovely bunch of roses,

with good wishes for a successful and happy time, and when Miss Lyyli Hagan, the President of the National League of Trained Nurses of Finland, appeared, surrounded by her group of charming compatriots, she also received English roses to sweeten the way. In return the nurses of Finland expressed thanks with the inimitable

courtesy which is their delightful custom. The station appeared bubbling with nurse delegates and their friends—St. Thomas's staff very much to the fore—and all wishing "Matron" and their fellow nurses, a smiling bevy of adventurers, all the fun and frolic possible—in spite of professional affairs to be discussed with due solemnity at Montreal. Every arrangement had been made for the comfort of the travellers, and



MISS LYYLI HAGAN (with flowers).

President of the National League of Trained Nurses of Finland, with members of the League on the "Alaunia."



GROUP OF BRITISH NURSES ON THE "ALAUNIA."

In centre Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss A. Lloyd-Still on right, Miss Lyyli Hagan on left.

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