

to lack of funds, would be a calamity, in view of the fact that no other site so excellently situated could be obtained under such favourable terms. She expresses the hope that the Government of India will kindly reconsider the question next year.

Miss Isabel MacIntosh, whom those who attended the International Congress of Nurses in Montreal last year, knew well as the Chairman of the Private Duty Section of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario, and an active member of various Committees connected with the Congress, recently delivered an address on "The Nurse" at the Fifth Annual Meeting of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario, in the course of which she said:—

"Let me unveil, for your inspection, a picture of the nurse, as she stands ready to serve her community. This word picture was exquisitely etched, some years ago, by a Past President of the Canadian National Association of Trained Nurses. 'She is a woman, physically strong and mentally alert, who thinks clearly, and observes accurately; her sympathies are tender, and at the same time purposeful; her response to routine duties is competency, and to emergencies, initiative and resourcefulness. To all these qualities is added the lovely virtue courage, through which not only her own life is made beautiful, but by means of which she inspires those to whom she administers.'

"So numerous and varied are our responsibilities, as 'nurse, teacher, public official, and friend,' to the community, that it is impossible to emphasise any particular one. It is sufficient to say now, since the profession with its twofold purpose of getting the sick well and preventing sickness, touches every line of human endeavour, the adjustment of the problems arising from these various contacts is not so simple.

"It is rightly conceded that we depend on hospitals for our educational life, yet they in turn are dependent on the nursing profession for a great measure of their esteem and place in the community. Just as any hospital reacts to the criticism of the public, so must this same hospital, because of its laboratory of hourly education of the nurse, depend on the standard of skill and efficiency translated to the outside world through the medium of its graduate nurses. We who view this responsibility from within the profession realise that in a community of varying complications 'it is harder to know what to do than it is to know how to do what we ought to do,' because of the reflected influence of our everyday character and skill on the community-standing of our Alma Mater.

"Evidence that we have not failed, is contained in a statement made by Miss Amy Hilliard, to the New York State League:—'The trained nurse has been the greatest human factor in transforming hospitals, from pest houses to places eagerly sought by all classes of people physically ill, and therefore she has made possible the hospital of the present, and is the greatest humanitarian of the past fifty years.' The logical conclusion of this must be, that it is the chief concern of the hospitals to raise, rather than lower, the standards of admission and education; to look ever to the policy of quality, rather than quantity, in order that their

graduates may find themselves within the respectable bounds of reasonable employment in keeping with their professional status."

COACHING CLASSES FOR STATE EXAMINATIONS.

All the pupils coached by Miss D. K. Graham, at the British College of Nurses, have passed their Final Examinations, and are to be congratulated, as they were up for re-examination and worked hard for their well-deserved success.

EXAMINATION IN ADVANCED PSYCHOLOGY.

We have pleasure in announcing the result of the Examination in Advanced Psychology by Dr. T. Ronald Forsythe, as follows, received as we go to press:—

1. Miss Elizabeth Jessie Weaver.
2. Miss Alice Frances Russell.
3. Miss Gladys Madeline Poskitt.
4. Miss Hilary Hope Riggall.
5. Miss Henrietta Georgina Ballard.
6. Miss Elizabeth Marie McQuade.
7. Mr. Frederick A. Mace.
8. Miss Martha Eyre.
9. Miss Nellie Williams.

Miss E. J. Weaver is therefore awarded the Prize offered by Miss E. L. Macaulay, O.B.E., R.R.C., upon which success we heartily congratulate her.

Dr. Forsythe writes:—"I think you will agree that the results of the recent examination are extremely gratifying. The papers of three candidates were excellent and contained many original ideas."

PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Arrangements have been made for the Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service to hold an Annual Lawn Tennis Tournament for a Challenge Cup, kindly presented by Miss J. M. Cruickshank, C.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief.

The Challenge Cup will be held by the Mess of the winning competitor for one year. A replica of the cup in miniature will be presented to the winner.

The Eliminating Contests of this Tournament (1930) have been played off, the result of which are as follows:

Princess Mary's R.A.F. Hospital, Halton.

Winner:—Staff Nurse Miss I. G. Duguid.

Runner-up:—Acting Senior Sister Miss G. Taylor.

R.A.F. Officers' Hospital, Uxbridge.

Winner:—Sister Miss H. W. Cargill.

R.A.F. Hospital, Cranwell.

Winner:—Sister Miss O. Suddaby.

The semi-finals and final, in which these members will now compete, have been fixed to be played off at the Officers' Mess Tennis Courts, Royal Air Force Depot, Uxbridge, commencing at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, July 10th, 1930.

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