

the headmaster can close the school until repairs are effected."

The Middlesex Hospital is establishing a system of specialist nursing. In addition to the diploma upon the completion of four years' training in general nursing, nurses will be able to obtain a special certificate of having received additional training in some particular branch. The new nurses' home comprises a model ward and operating theatre.

We are glad to know that Mr. Frederick A. Mace, of Millford House, Edmonton, is now studying for the Diploma in Nursing, University of London, and finds the lectures intensely interesting. We heartily wish him success, and that other doubly qualified male nurses will follow his example.

Many of our readers will be pleased to possess the portrait of Miss Elizabeth Smellie, R.R.C., the Chief Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses of Canada who played so unforgettable a part in receiving the Grand Council of the International Council of Nurses at Ottawa last year, and who has recently been visiting this country. Miss Smellie, who is of Scots descent, is Canadian born, her grandparents having migrated from Orkney.

Her father was a pioneer physician on the North Shore of Lake Superior in the days when the railway was being constructed from Port Arthur to White River.

Trained in the famous nursing school of the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, she served Overseas as a Nursing Sister and Matron with the Canadian Army Medical Corps, later becoming Matron of Moore Barracks Hospital, at Shorncliffe. She was mentioned in despatches, and in 1917 was decorated by the King at Buckingham Palace with the Order of the Red Cross (First Class) for her services during the war. In 1924 she was invited to become Chief Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses in Canada.

It is of interest to learn that a six months' post-graduate course in Teaching and Administration will be given twice a year at the School of Nursing of the Peiping Union Medical College. The diploma of the Nurses' Association of China is required for the Course which is open to both men and women. Preference will be given to candidates who have completed a junior

high school course and who have had some teaching or administrative experience. Students are expected to work in the University Hospital for a certain number of hours daily and will be given the choice of the medical, surgical and pediatric departments.

Work performed in the Hospital by the students is considered as payment for course and maintenance.

The Dean of the School of Nursing is Miss Gertrude Hodgman, formerly Assistant Professor at Yale University School of Nursing, U.S.A., who it will be remembered presented one of the outstanding papers at the Conference of the International Council of Nurses at Geneva in 1927.

Mrs. Breckinridge, of the Kentucky Frontier Nursing Service, writes:—"I am in New York in connection with our opening an office here and establishing an Executive Secretary. We are doing the same thing in Chicago. Our work is expanding very rapidly, and we owe so much to the Mother country that I personally shall never cease to be grateful."

THE LORD MAYOR'S SHOW.

In the Lord Mayor's Show this year St. Bartholomew's Hospital bore a brave part with banners and pennons flying, and the Nursing staff was well to the fore. No. 2 banner was inscribed "Only 75 out of 740 beds named in the Mother Hospital of the Empire," followed by two sets of stretcher bearers accompanied by nurses. Amongst the pennons were those of Margaret Whitaker first of hospital sisters at St. Bartholomew's (1652), First "Watchers" appointed at Bart's (1647), Rose Fysshier at Bart's, the first of hospital Matrons (1549), and Bart's

Sisters of Mercy in Norman times followed by Edeva of Writele, Isabella of Bray, and Joan of Pertenhale.

NURSES' MEMORIAL TO MISS A. W. GILL, C.B.E., R.R.C.

There has been a strong feeling amongst the nurses of the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, who trained under, or worked with, the late Miss A. W. Gill, C.B.E., R.R.C., that a Nurses' Memorial should be instituted to show their affection for her and their admiration for her work. As the Managers of the Royal Infirmary are putting up a tablet to her memory in the Infirmary Chapel, it has been suggested that a Nurses' Memorial might take the form of a prize or scholarship to be named after her.

Nurses are asked to send their donations to Miss Bladon, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.



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