

She proposed that the Silver Platter on which to stand the Cake—for which she had invited subscriptions—should be dedicated and inscribed in grateful memory of Sir Richard Barnett. This proposal met with warm support, the majority of the members of the Council subscribing £1 towards the cost.

The Report was approved.

#### REPORT OF THE HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

The Chairman of the Committee, Miss A. M. Bushby, reported: Since the last meeting I have not been able to do very much. I have received from Miss M. Breay the seventh volume of the "Life of the Prince Consort" by Sir Theodore Martin, K.C.B., which contains information about Miss Florence Nightingale.

"The Life of Sister Henrietta of Kimberley." "Life of Catherine Grace Loch"—both given by Miss Dempster.

A photograph of Group of Miss Loch, in uniform, as first Lady Superintendent of the Indian Army Nursing Service, taken in 1888, together with Miss Betty, Miss Harris, Miss Lickford, Miss Welchman and Miss Latch, Sisters, and the male Indian orderlies. From Miss Elma Smith.

Russell's "The British Expedition to the Crimea," "Life of Florence Nightingale and Frances E. Willard," by W. J. Wintle and Florence Wilts.

"Life of Florence Nightingale," by Sarah Tooley, given by myself.

Beautiful French print of Mrs. Elizabeth Fry, from Miss K. M. Latham, R.R.C.

"History of Scottish Women's Hospitals," from Mrs. Bedford Fenwick.

"The Cellar House of Pervyse," by Baroness de P. Sercles and Mairi Chisholm, from Miss A. S. Bryson.

"St. Vincent de Paul and Mental Prayer," and

"A Discourse of The Whole Art of Chyrurgerie." Compiled by Peter Lowe, Scottishman. Doctor in the facultie of Chyrurgerie at Paris, and ordinary Chyrurgion to the French King and Navarre (Henry IV of France). An. Dom. 1612," from Miss I. Macdonald.

"Pathfinders, a History of the Progress of Colored Graduate Nurses," autographed, from Mrs. Adah B. Thoms. £1 from Miss A. M. Bright for History of Nursing Section. £1 from Miss H. G. Ballard for History of Nursing Section.

The gifts were accepted with thanks and the Report approved.

#### MISS GRAHAM'S REPORT.

The fifth meeting of the Tutorial Group took place on Tuesday, September 30th. A discussion on "Lavage" proved most interesting and instructive. The meeting was a small one, as many Tutors were still on holiday.

The sixth meeting of the Tutorial Group took place on Tuesday, October 14th. A paper was read upon "Test-Meals" by Miss E. S. Laing of the Mayday Road Hospital. A discussion took place upon the local treatments of the diseases of the digestive system.

The Report was approved.

#### THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary reported that 263 communications had been received in the office and 546 replies sent out.

There had been 63 visitors to the College. Among the visitors were Miss Stella Pines from Sydney and Miss Ethelda Runnalls Uren from Australia; Miss A. I. Melander from the General Hospital, Helsingfors; Miss Reeves from Dublin; and several Dominion nurses working in England.

Several Fellows and Members had attended in the Council Chamber to take the Obligation in the presence of members of the Council.

The opening of the Winter Session was held on Thursday, October 16th, between sixty and seventy members were

present, some of whom brought friends who admired and were interested in the College.

Details of household management and expenditure were presented and approved.

#### REPORT OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF GREAT BRITAIN AT PORTSMOUTH.

A report of the Conference held at Portsmouth from October 6th to 10th was received from Miss Mabel M. P. Siggers, the delegate from the College.

The Council desired that a special vote of thanks should be conveyed to Miss Siggers for the very admirable Report sent by her from which they gathered that the majority of the Resolutions for which she was instructed to vote had been passed.

Miss Siggers offered as a gift a photograph of the Delegates who were present at the Conference.

The Council accepted the gift with thanks, and directed that the very reasonable expenses incurred by Miss Siggers should be refunded to her.

#### LIST OF GIFTS.

##### Books.

Miss M. Breay—"From Death to Life," by Charles Kingsley, autographed and given to her by his wife in 1888.

Miss Darrington—Medical Dictionary 1825, by Dr. H. Hooper. (*For History of Nursing Section.*)

Miss E. Dinnie—"Women of the War" by McLaren. "Jane Austen and her Times," by G. E. Mitten. "Where's Master?" by Caesar, the King's dog.

Miss P. Shekleton—"ABC of Adler's Psychology" and Craig's "Nerve Exhaustion."

##### Flowers.

Mrs. Wates, Miss Cattell, Miss I. Macdonald, Miss E. Macaulay, Miss K. Smith.

Miss M. Breay—Last set of Maundy Money issued in Queen Victoria's reign, given to her by Sir William Roberts Austen, Professor of Metallurgy at Royal Mint. Two Ash Trays.

Miss A. M. Bright—£1 for silver framed calendar. (*For Council Table*). The charming calendar was in use.

#### GENEROSITY OF MRS. JESSOP.

The President reported that Mrs. Jessop, who had given so much voluntary help in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING office for so many years, had most generously offered to pay for installing Metal Shelves in the small book store room to cost £16. This provision of storing space would be of the greatest help in tabulating journals, etc.

The Council desired that its very grateful thanks should be conveyed to Mrs. Jessop.

#### LEGAL EXPENSES.

The Council requisitioned for the legal expenses to the amount of £2 2s. of a young member.

#### THE RETENTION OF THIEVES ON THE REGISTER OF NURSES.

The action of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales in retaining the names of two thieves on the State Register was reported.

Miss Bushby, a member of the G.N.C. asked leave to retire during the discussion.

The feeling and expression of indignation upon the part of the Council was unanimous, to which it was agreed to give publicity.

#### NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council should be held on Saturday, November 22nd, at 2.15 p.m.

The Meeting then terminated.

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