JULY, 1931.

The Banner of the Royal British Nurses' Associationthe first organisation of trained Nurses in the worldincorporated by Royal Charter-would be borne by Miss Cecilia Liddiatt.

Other items of organisation were considered and the Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

Miss Bushby, Chairman, reported that since the last meeting two volumes of Simpson's beautifully coloured pictures of the Crimean War have been bought for £5. "The Life of Lord Shaftesbury," in three volumes, for 9s., also O'Malley's "Life of Florence Nightingale," just published, at 21s.

Miss Bushby presented a copy of a very rare pamphlet, "Institution of Kaiserswerth," by Florence Nightingale, and "Constantinople during the Crimean War," by Lady Hornby.

The President pointed out how valuable their "Nightingaleiana " was becoming.

The Report was adopted with thanks to Miss Bushby, for the work she had devoted to the Section.

MISS GRAHAM'S REPORT. The Administration Class, Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, Surrey.

On Saturday, June 6th, 1931, the members of the Administration Class visited the Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, when Miss Wood, the Acting Matron, kindly explained the various methods of administration used in the Hospital.

She invited the members of the Class to visit the following departments: the General Stores, the Main Kitchen and Scullery, the Open-Air Wards, the Massage Department, the Ray-Therapy Department, the Administrative Block, the Open-Air Swimming Bath, and the Nurses' Home.

The Class was given a delightful tea on the terrace of the Nurses' Home and in their beautiful sitting-room.

Before leaving the Hospital each member of the Class thanked Miss Wood for her great kindness and hospitality.

A meeting of the Tutorial Group was held at the British College of Nurses on Tuesday, June 16th, at 8 p.m. An interesting paper upon "Artificial Feeding" by Miss Macintyre, Sister-Tutor, Fulham Hospital, was read by Miss Le Beau in the absence of Miss Macintyre.

The next meeting of the Tutorial Group will take place at the British College of Nurses, 39, Portland Place, W.I, on Tuesday, July 21st, 1931, at 8 p.m. when a paper will be read upon the "Nutritional Disorders of Children" by Miss Le Beau, Sister-Tutor, the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street.

THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT

The Secretary presented a satisfactory report of the activities and expenditure since the last meeting.

There had been 34 visitors to the College including Mile. Chaptal, President of the International Council of Nurses, Miss Hope Bell, S.R.N., F.B.C.N., late Matron of the Lester Hospital, Shanghai, and Mr. James K. O. Lui, a male nurse from the Union Hospital, Hankow, China, now taking a post-graduate course in mental nursing at the Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone.

The Administration Classes conducted by Miss D. K. Graham had been very successful, and had been much appreciated by the students as well as the courtesy and kindness shown to them by the Matrons of the institutions which they visited.

A grant towards the expenses of an operation was made to a Fellow of the College.

LONDON WEEK.

The Council agreed to repeat the invitation to three English and one Scottish Fellow or Member to spend a week in London as its guests, at the time of the Annual Dinner (this year in October) which gave so much pleasure last year.

DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT.

The Draft of the Fifth Annual Report for presentation to the Annual Meeting on July 14th, which covered a wide range of activities, was then considered and approved.

DEATH OF A FELLOW.

The Council learnt with deep regret of the death of Miss E. C. Field, S.R.N., F.B.C.N., trained and for many years Ward Sister at the Dulwich Hospital, and of Miss Clara Page, Matron of the Isolation Hospital, Crewe, and messages of sympathy were sent to their relatives.

LIST OF GIFTS.

Miss K. A. Smith, R.R.C.-"Elizabeth Fry's Journeys on the Continent, 1840-41," from a Diary kept by herniece, Elizabeth Gurney.

Miss Breay, Miss Greenshields, Miss Winifred Derrick, Miss A. M. Bright, Miss Bright Robinson. -Flowers.

Miss K. M. Latham, R.R.C.-5s. for flowers.

Miss N. G. Beeham.---10s. for flowers.

Miss K. A. Smith, R.R.C .--Concert tickets.

History of Nursing Section,

Miss K. M. Latham, R.R.C.-f.I.

Isla Stewart Memorial

Bookcase.

John Temple. — "The Mrs. Story of a Surgeon," by Sir John Bland Sutton.

DATE OF ELECTION.

It was agreed that the Election of two Fellows, to fill vacancies, should be held on July 7th, at 11 a.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council should be held on Saturday, July 25th, at 2.15 p.m.

The President reminded the Council that the terms of office on the Council of Miss Isabel Macdonald, Fellow, and Miss K. M. Latham, Member, concluded with this meeting and she was sure they would wish to express to them both their thanks for the valuable services they had rendered the College. Miss Macdonald had served for five years and had not missed a Council Meeting, besides acting as Chair of the Social Schemes Committee and taking an active part in the work of other important Committees.

MISS M. M. SIM, F.B.C.N.

Matron of the Mental Hospital. St. John's, Newfoundland.





