

Since the last meeting several characters had been arranged—Air, Fire and Water had been accepted by very suitable girls of good height. Earth was still required. We still required a beautiful fair woman for Queen Margaret of Scotland. The Empress Helena, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, and Maister Peter Lowe, so handsome and picturesque, required impersonation.

The Council were invited to find a few splendid people for these characters. The arrangements were approved.

#### HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

Miss Bushby, Chairman of the History of Nursing Committee, reported:

Since the last meeting of the Council Miss Cochrane had given a very interesting roll of cuttings from old picture papers and magazines, also some loose leaves, torn out of a book or magazine: "What Miss Nightingale has done and is doing," which are most interesting. I have received letters from Miss Nutting and Miss Dock; they are giving a presentation copy of their book, "A History of Nursing." I have obtained Treves' "History of a Field Hospital." This is a presentation copy to Dr. Champneys. "The Sultan's Wives," by L. Dunne, who was a store-keeper at Scutari during the Crimean War. "Experiences of a Civilian Doctor in Eastern Military Hospitals," by Peter Pincoffs, M.D. "Culinary Campaign, being Historical Reminiscences of the late War," by Alex Soyer. "Narrative of Personal Experiences and Impressions during a Residence on the Bosphorus throughout the Crimean War," by Lady Alicia Blackwood. "History of the Scottish Women's Hospital," for the Isla Stewart Book Case. I have been able to secure eight volumes of Strickland's "Lives of the Queens of England" in very good condition, also a presentation copy of "The Life of Dame Louisa Aldrich Blake." I have attended sales, but have been unable to obtain letters, etc., as such large prices were given. I have given seven letters which Miss Nightingale wrote to the Nightingale Nurses, also a print of the Memorial to Mrs. Wardroper in St. Thomas's Hospital.

The Report was adopted.

The Council expressed their gratitude to Miss Bushby for her unceasing vigilance and care of the History of Nursing Section.

#### MISS GRAHAM'S REPORT.

A meeting of the Tutorial Group was held at the College on Tuesday, July 21st, at 8 p.m. Miss Le Beau, Sister Tutor, the Hospital for Sick Children, Gt. Ormond Street, prepared a Paper on "Methods of Feeding in Nutritional Disorders of Childhood."

The next meeting of the Group will take place at the College on Tuesday, September 29th, 1931, at 8 p.m.

Miss Rigby, Sister Tutor at the Highgate Hospital, London, N., will read a Paper on "The Feeding of Patients."

The Report was adopted.

#### THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

The Secretary reported that 668 communications had been received, and 1,281 sent out. There had been 42 visitors to the College, amongst them Mrs. Horatio Walker, Junr., Regent of the Florence Nightingale Institute of Honorables, Los Angeles, a sister of Lord Beaverbrook; Mrs. Strong; Miss Abram, Matron of the Presidency General Hospital, Calcutta, and President of the Association of Trained Nurses of India who attended the Board of Directors, I.C.N., at Geneva; Mrs. Landius and Miss Myrtle Fitchett, from New Zealand; Mrs. John Temple; Dr. Albert R. Cook, C.M.G., O.B.E., M.D., late Chief Medical Officer for Uganda, and Mrs. Cook; Miss Pickering, Assistant Professor of Nursing Education, University of California; M. B. H. Flurschein, Secretary-General, Foch Memorial Hospital, Paris; M. L. Viborel, Secretary-General de la Propag. d'Hygiene Sociale, Ministère de la Santé Publique, Paris.

A report of the Annual Meeting was appended.

Details of the Elections were presented.

The following report of gifts and expenditure for the History of Nursing Section was presented:—

Since the last meeting of the Council £4 6s. had been received in donations with a balance in hand of £3 2s., making a total of £7 8s.

The following has been spent:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Narrative of Personal Experiences and impressions during a residence on the Bosphorus throughout the Crimea .. .. .	0	7	6			
William Rathbone, a Memoir by Eleanor Rathbone .. .. .	0	5	0			
Hyde Parkers' Crimea, two parts, coloured .. .. .	2	15	0			
F. Nightingale, Notes on Nursing, with Receipt from Miss Nightingale, 1853 .. .. .	1	0	0			
Life of Florence Nightingale, by Mrs. O'Malley .. .. .				4	7	6
				1	1	0
Total .. .. .				£5	8	6

Leaving a balance in hand of £1 19s. 6d.

#### LIST OF GIFTS.

##### Books.

Miss G. I. Le Geyt—"Health and Social Evolution," by Sir George Newman.

Miss M. Chadwick—"Nursing Psychological Patients," by Miss M. Chadwick.

Mrs. John Temple—"Life of Florence Nightingale," by Mrs. O'Malley.

"British Journal of Nursing"—"Contraception," by Marie Stopes.

##### Flowers.

Miss K. B. Comerford, Mrs. Wates, Miss Holly, Miss A. M. Bright, Miss Bright Robinson.

##### Money for Flowers.

Miss K. A. Smith, R.R.C., 5s.; Miss Carruthers, 2s. 6d.; Miss A. M. Bright, 5s.

#### History of Nursing Section.

Miss N. Farrant, £1.

Miss H. G. Ballard, £1.

Miss K. A. Smith, R.R.C., £1.

Miss A. M. Bright, £1 5s.

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council should be held on Saturday, September 19th, at 2.15 p.m.

The meeting then terminated.

#### APPRECIATION OF "THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING."

Miss M. A. D. Mitchell, M.B.C.N., Eastbourne, writes: "It is gratifying to know how much the College is doing for its Fellows and Members. I sometimes wish I were beginning my nursing career instead of being one of the older ones now."

Miss Jane McNeillie, F.B.C.N., Stranraer, writes: "I beg to thank you for the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, which I always eagerly welcome, and congratulate you on the progress of the British College of Nurses."

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