

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL NURSES' LEAGUE.

A General Meeting of the League will be held in the Class Room, in the Nurses' Home, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, on Saturday, December 3rd, at 3 p.m. After the Business has been transacted, Miss Simpkins, late Sister Hope, will give a short account of some of the Medical Work at the Universities' Mission, South Africa. At 4 p.m. there will be a Social gathering.

The Executive Committee of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses have circularised the members informing them that its President, Miss Dey, has been nominated for election to the General Nursing Council for England and Wales. They are naturally disappointed that her name was not amongst those selected by the Joint Committee of the College of Nursing and two Associations of Hospital Matrons, who are putting up twelve candidates to fill the eleven vacancies.

INFECTIOUS HOSPITALS MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

A Meeting will be held at the Royal British Nurses' Club, 194, Queen's Gate, on Thursday, November 24th, at 3 p.m.

Members hoping to be present are asked to notify the Hon. Sec., Miss Webb, Netherburie, Elm Close, Newlyn, Penzance, not later than Saturday, November 19th.

MENTAL HOSPITAL MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The 39th Quarterly Meeting of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association will be held at the Royal British Nurses' Club, 194, Queen's Gate, S.W. 7, on Saturday, December 3rd, 1932, at 2.30 p.m., preceded by a meeting of the Executive Committee at 2 p.m. The Agenda contains a very interesting programme. Dr. May will deliver an address on "Resistiveness."

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

On Wednesday, November 9th, the Matron-in-Chief and all members will hold their Annual "At Home" at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A selection of music will be played during the afternoon by the Band of the Royal Army Medical Corps.

NEW EDITOR FOR THE CANADIAN NURSE.

The National Office of the Canadian Nurses' Association will in future operate at Montreal, at 401, Crescent Building, St. Catherine and Crescent Streets, Montreal, Quebec.

Miss Florence H. M. Emory, President, Canadian Nurses' Association, has an inspiring leading article in October's *Canadian Nurse*, in which she reminds members that two years ago the National Association accepted three objectives around which its activities should centre: (1) The vital need of increased membership; (2) to facilitate the successful completion of the Survey of Nursing Education; and (3) a third objective has culminated in the appointment of a full-time Editor and Business Manager for the official organ of the Association, *The Canadian Nurse*.

Miss Emory ends her appeal for energetic action. She writes: "A critical period is upon us, a period that affords opportunity for added laurels. With the collective conscience of the profession duly sensitive, with a unified spirit and with hard work, the emergence of success is assured. Echoing the words of the Canadian Premier in his address at the opening of the recent Imperial Conference, we pledge both heart and hand for 'what way lie faith and hope, that way we follow.'"

Miss Edith Johns has been appointed Editor of *The Canadian Nurse*. She was born in England, and is a graduate of the Winnipeg General Hospital, after which

she undertook a year of study in the Department of Nursing Education at Teacher's College, Columbia University. She has held several administrative posts, and spent four years in Europe as Field Director of the Rockefeller Foundation, and at present holds the position of Nurse Associate to the Committee on the grading of Nursing Schools in the United States of America. Upon her return to Canada she will receive a loyal welcome from a united profession, and as the senior nurse Editor in the world, we offer our congratulations to Miss Johns upon assuming the editorial chair of a journal which is read from the Atlantic to the Pacific by thousands of her colleagues.

THE BRITISH COLLEGE OF NURSES IN SCOTLAND.

Miss Brodie, F.B.C.N., Matron of the Royal Mental Hospital, Glasgow, who represents Scotland on the Council of the British College of Nurses, was at home to Scottish members on Friday afternoon, October 28th.

A delightful tea was served in the Nurses' Dining-hall, a spacious modern adjunct to the stately and substantial pile with its honourable history of more than a hundred years.

As the hospital stands high, the windows of this western room command an extensive view of the lovely Clyde valley.

Dr. Thomson, deputising for the Medical Superintendent, Dr. MacNiven (who was attending a Medico-Psychological Conference), welcomed Miss Brodie's guests, and emphasised the advantages of such meetings in learning how others solved their particular problems. He thought it might be good to reveal even the skeleton in the cupboard for mutual benefit!

After a vote of thanks to Miss Brodie for her hospitality, the party were conducted by Miss Brodie and her sisters to the well-equipped laundry and kitchen, where electrical labour-saving devices were openly admired and secretly envied by the less fortunate.

Most interesting of all was the occupation centre, where baskets, rugs, weaving, china-painting, leather-work, spoke of many hours saved from futile monotony and lighted, we believe, by dawning hope.

Wending our homeward way through the beautiful grounds with their many noble trees, we thanked these countrymen of ours who provided such a haven for their afflicted brothers and sisters.

LECTURES IN AID OF POST-GRADUATE COURSES IN MIDWIFERY.

Three lectures will be given in aid of the advanced post-graduate courses in midwifery organised by the Ormond Maternity Trust at 29, Blantyre Street, S.W.10, in connection with the Queen's Institute of District Nursing, on Wednesday, November 9, at 1, Cadogan Gardens, S.W.3, at 3.15 p.m. (by permission of the Hon. Mrs. Lyell). Mr. Louis Carnac Rivett, F.R.C.S., M.C.O.G., will lecture on "The Use of Anæsthetics in Midwifery"; Mrs. Stanley Baldwin will take the chair. On Thursday, November 17, at 25, Lennox Gardens, S.W.1, at 5.30 p.m. (by permission of Miss Huntington), Miss Darbyshire, R.R.C. (Matron of University College Hospital) will speak on "The Report of the Lancet Commission on Nursing." In the chair will be Mr. A. Lister Harrison (Member of Lancet Commission). On Thursday, November 24, at Pfeiffer Hall, Queen's College, 43, Harley Street, W.1, at 5.30 p.m., Dr. J. S. Fairbairn, M.B., F.R.C.S. (President of the College of Obstetricians and Gynæcologists and of the Central Midwives Board), will deal with "The Maternal Mortality Report." The Marchioness of Salisbury will be in the chair. Particulars may be had from Miss H. U. Williams, 14, Great James Street, W.C.1.

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