

of Nurses, and President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain. M. Hymans eulogised the achievements of the two happy recipients of the honour. The two ladies thus honoured returned thanks with feeling, and Mlle. Chaptal alluded to the distinctions bestowed by the Minister of Public Health in France, on Mlle. Hellemans, President of the Federation of Belgian Nurses, and on Mlle. Mechelynck, head of the School for Visiting Nurses of the Public Assistance of Brussels. Mlle. Chaptal then recalled the custom of giving a Watchword to the nurses for the forthcoming quadrennial period. At Montreal in 1929 "Service" was given; the Watchword of the present Congress was "Concord." Did it not seem appropriate for the difficulties of the time? The beautiful little Address

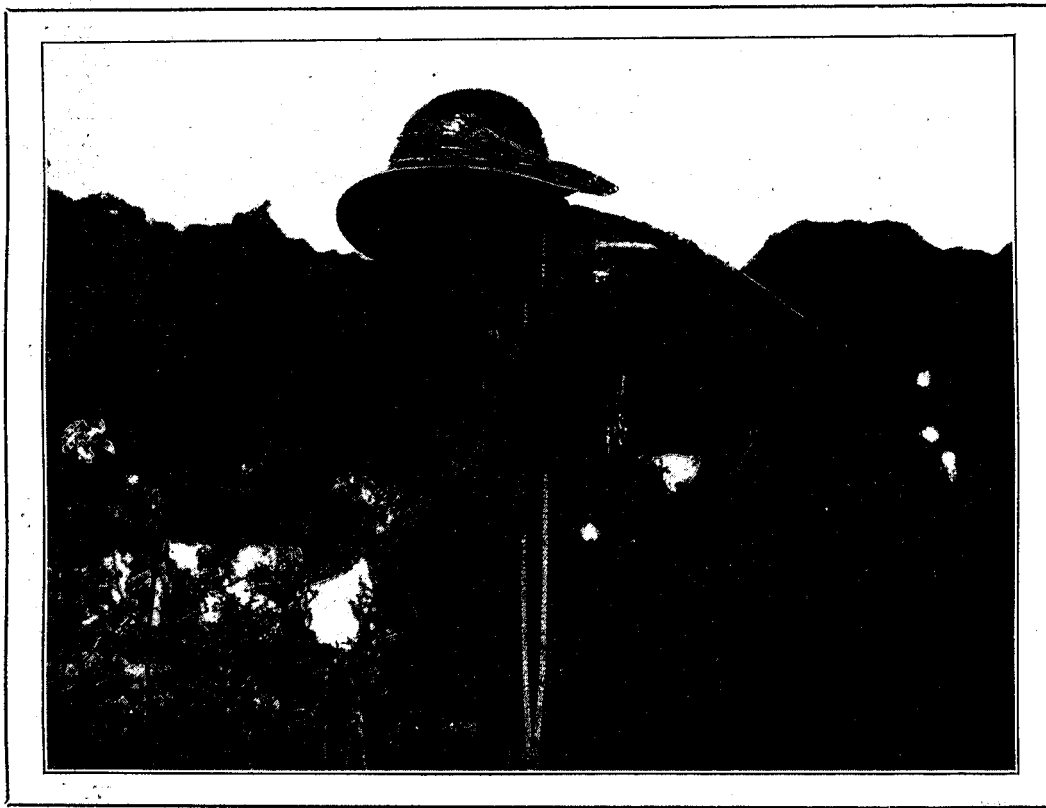
care and well-being of the patients, and she extended a warm invitation to them to reassemble in London in 1937.

A bouquet of lovely crimson roses was presented to the new President by the Founder, and the most successful Congress ever held by the I.C.N. closed amidst congratulations and in wonderful unity of spirit.

On all sides it was agreed that "We have had a marvellous time. To our next merry meeting—à Londres —à Londres!"

THE RECEPTION AT THE HOTEL DE VILLE.

To mention the Hotel de Ville at Brussels is to recall the most perfect specimen of civic architecture in the world, and it was in this marvellous building, which



The Sweetest Rose in the Garden of Laeken.

delivered by Mlle. Chaptal will be found in its original exquisite French on the front page of this issue of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING. It was received by the audience with heartfelt approval, who will, we feel sure, try to live up to its inspiration.

ADDRESSES OF FAREWELL FROM FIVE CONTINENTS.

Brief Addresses of Farewell were given in the name of five Continents—by Miss Jean I. Gunn, Canada, Miss A. J. Messolora, Greece, Miss Budan Jhanda Singh, India, Miss E. J. Young, New Zealand, and Miss B. Gordon Alexander, South Africa. Rising to terminate this most inspiring Congress, the President, Miss Lloyd Still, in a few words reminded the audience that the aim and object of all their endeavours should be the

dates from the 14th century, that the guests and delegates of the Congress were received at a Reception in the evening of Saturday, July 15th, by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City.

The guests were received by M. Adolphe Max, Burgomaster, whose services to his country are recognised throughout the world, together with Mme. de Penaranda de Franchmont, Councillor Mme. Catteau and M. Warvermans, Alderman. As we entered the splendid room we experienced a thrill in touching the hand of the heroic Burgomaster; and piloted on the arm of that very gracious lady, Mme. Pauline De Mot (the daughter herself of a Burgomaster), we passed from room to room, one more splendid than another, embellished with exquisite taste and extraordinary mag-

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