FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE THANKSGIVING DAY SCHOLARSHIPS FUND.

The first Florence Nightingale Thanksgiving Day—initiated by the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain—has come and gone, and has been sympathetically received. The handsome list of gifts collected amongst nurses in support of an annual Scholarships Fund is indeed satisfactory, amounting as recorded below to £244 16 3, and with promises we are hoping that the cost of the whole sum of £250 for the Scholarship will be subscribed at an early date. The aim of the National Council is to endow its Scholarship as time goes on—but for this the sum of £6,000 will be required.

We feel sure that the public will in the future be aroused to endow the fine work of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, of which at present they do not appreciate the value, as the average person inclines to bestow gifts in support of charity, especially in the relief of suffering, rather than in furthering education—failing to realise that the evolution of scientific medicine and nursing is in desperate need of power of research and accurate knowledge in their struggle to maintain high standards of health, locate disease, and eradicate it. Women especially need some emotional impulse to open the purse.

The following gifts have most kindly been sent and gratefully receipted for the Florence Nightingale Thanksgiving Day Scholarships Fund, since our last issue. Other gifts have been promised. Small sums are welcome as they help to make a handsome total:—

Donations to the Florence Nightingale Scholarships Fund.

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many Nurses were present in uniform
The Middlesex Hospital Nurses' League, and
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The Florence Nightingale Statue in Waterioo Flace was, as usual, decorated on her birthday, May 12th. A lovely chaplet of mauve and yellow iris was placed facing south by the Florence Nightingale Training School at St. Thomas's Hospital, and a magnificent cushion—a red cross on white—by the British Red Cross Society.

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