

Contents of Thanksgiving Box.

The contents were counted and the box was found to contain:—

Cheques, £4 8s., £1 1s., £1, £1, 10s.; Postal Order, 1s. 6d.; Stamps, 6d.; £1 notes, £7; 10s. Notes, £3 10s.; Silver, £2 18s. 6d.; Copper, 3s. 6d.—£21 13s. Sale of Miss Macdonald's pamphlet, "Elizabeth Alkin: A Florence Nightingale of the Commonwealth, £1 17s. 6d.; Raffle tickets for Miss Macaulay's tea cloth, 12s.—£24 2s. 6d. Since received, £4 18s.—£29 0s. 6d.

This sum was considered a satisfactory share of the £250 required for the N.C.N. Scholarship from one constituent society. The President thanked those present who had contributed and felt sure the whole Scholarship would be subscribed at an early date.

Iced coffee and cakes were welcome after the excitement of association for so good a cause. The Thanksgiving Box was then placed under lock and key until its contents had been banked, when it will again be available for future use.

THE SCIENTIFIC TREATMENT OF DELINQUENCY.

More and more members of the nursing profession are realising the importance of scientific research into the causes and prevention of crime, and will learn with pleasure that an Institute now exists, the office of which is at 56, Grosvenor Street, London, W.1, the first object of which is to establish observation centres and clinics for diagnosis and treatment of delinquency and crime, and the second to initiate and promote scientific research into the causes and prevention of crime. Nurses are increasingly aware that many delinquents whose behaviour brings them within the arm of the law and who are punished as criminals, could more properly and humanely be brought at an earlier stage under medical observation and care.

The report of the Institute for 1934 states that the year's work has been devoted chiefly to the development of the Psychopathic Clinic which was opened at the end of September, 1933, in rooms kindly allocated at the West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Welbeck Street, London, W.1. Cases referred from Police Courts by Magistrates and Probation Officers are given precedence over those referred for delinquent behaviour who have not been charged with offences. Magistrates, who have no power to pay fees for such service, have expressed on several occasions their satisfaction with reports of cases they had referred by making donations to the Institute from the Poor Box.

A special sub-Committee has been appointed to organise all matters pertaining to research. These researches are medical, psychological, sociological, anthropological and statistical.

Research is directed to the elucidation of the causes—both precipitating and primary—of a social behaviour, to the improvement of methods of treatment, and to the discovery of new methods. It is also directed to the study of the effects of existing methods of treatment, medical, sociological, penal and otherwise, and to the all-important question of prevention.

Thanks to a guarantee covering the initial cost it has been possible to arrange for the issue of a journal. This will take the form of archives and will be published at intervals. The Journal will be called "Delinquency" and will be of a highly technical and scientific character. It should prove both interesting and valuable.

ENGLAND WELCOMES DEAN ANNIE W. GOODRICH, R.N.

The great event in our Nursing World during the past month has been having in our midst, and taking an active part in our work, educational and social, a woman of very rare character and attainments—Miss Annie W. Goodrich, R.N., Sc.D., M.A., Dean Emeritus of the Yale University School of Nursing—Past President and Hon. President of the International Council of Nurses, Vice-President of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation and a member of its Education Committee. A very eminent nurse educationist who has helped to prepare the soil, sow the seed, tend the shoots, and who we hope since her coming to England has been inhaling the perfume of the flower! When it became known that Miss Goodrich had consented to take a seat on the Education Sub-Committee of the Committee of Management of the Foundation, and had accepted an invitation to visit England—her old international colleagues, and new friends to be, were eager to do her honour.

Thus the Committee of Management of the Foundation appointed Mrs. Bedford Fenwick and Miss E. M. Musson to meet the good ship *Europa* from which Miss Goodrich would land at Southampton and give her welcome. This Miss Musson was able to do—Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, President of the National Council of Nurses, warmly welcomed her old friend, with flowers, at Waterloo Station—and presented to her the following hon. officers of the Council: Miss A. M. Bushby, Miss Helen Dey, Matron St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Vice-Presidents; Miss Littleboy, Matron, London Hospital; Miss N. Farrant, Queen's District Nurses; Miss Allbutt, Matron, Fulham Hospital, L.C.C., Directors.

Many other colleagues were present at the station, including Miss Hillyers, Assistant Matron, St. Thomas's Hospital, in place of Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, and Miss Coode. Amidst evident rejoicing Miss Goodrich was borne away in Sir Arthur Stanley's car, courteously sent to meet her, to her destination at the Cowdray Club, since which time she cannot have failed to realise how sincerely her English friends appreciate the honour of her visit. Her course of Lectures on "The Preparation of the Nurse for Community Service" at the College of Nursing, and consequent association with the Florence Nightingale International Students, now nearing the termination of their year's study at Bedford College, has been a very happy experience for teacher and pupils—and a privilege for the latter which will extend the vision of their educational course and add much to its ultimate value.

SOCIAL GREETINGS.

We believe in hospitality in England, and we venture to surmise that Miss Goodrich has had some difficulty in accepting all the invitations offered in her honour. The visit to the grave of Miss Nightingale at Wellow, and the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Crosfield who welcomed her at Embley Park, the former home of Miss Nightingale, as they have so kindly entertained international colleagues on previous occasions, by request of the National Council of Nurses, was a never-to-be-forgotten experience. Embley in May is at its loveliest—and its present owner, an ardent horticulturist, masses rhododendrons and azaleas in glorious variety and array, making his garden a paradise.

HOSPITALITY AT ST. THOMAS'S.

Sir Arthur Stanley, Treasurer of St. Thomas's Hospital and Treasurer of the F.N.I.F., is a most genial host, and the luncheon he gave at the Treasurer's House on May 29th, to meet Miss Goodrich, who sat on his right hand, was, as usual, a very enjoyable affair—Miss Bergljot Larsson was

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