

"I expect that the land 'beyond the horizon' is a 'Labourer's Land,' where no one will be unemployed."

The price of the Calendar is 3s. 6d., or 4s., including packing and postage, obtainable from the Grenfell Association of Great Britain and Ireland, 66, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1. It would make a charming Christmas Gift, and its sale helps the splendid work of Sir Wilfred Grenfell.

Miss Victoria Elizabeth Jones, who was Matron of Guy's Hospital from 1882 to 1893, has recently died at the age of 98 at her home in Veronica Road, Balham. She followed the celebrated Miss Burt as Matron of Guy's, and was an exceedingly able woman who took hold of an onerous task with success.

We well remember our first meeting with Miss Victoria Jones who was the only Matron to call on the then young Matron of Bart.'s. We received her in the pretty sitting-room of the now vanished Matron's House, and, having introduced herself, she informed us that she had come to borrow the pattern of a shroud. We sent for one—a most unworthy garment, made of calico paper with a frill at the neck, after the habit of Punch's dog Toby. We made friends over the horrible garment and ruled it out of Christian consideration. We learned to admire and respect Victoria Jones. Guy's was in those days very difficult in the transition stage of nursing organisation, and after her day a succession of Matrons, many still on pension, came and went.

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PATIENTS AT CARTWRIGHT, LABRADOR.

When about 30 years of age the Tractarian movement in connection with the slums of London attracted her, she went to a Sisterhood at Haggerston for a time, but she soon realised that her vocation was that of a nurse, and not that of a Religious Sister. Later she trained as a probationer at Charing Cross Hospital, from there became staff nurse at St. Bartholomew's Hospital for a few months. In 1880 she was invited to be a Sister at Guy's Hospital under Miss Burt, on whose marriage two years later she was appointed Matron by the Governors. This office she filled until 1892.

In 1892 it became necessary for her to give up her hospital work owing to the serious ill-health of her two Sisters, after whose death she settled down quietly for many years in Balham.

At the annual meeting of the British Medical Association at Melbourne last month the President, Sir James Barr, of that city, referred to the hospital systems of Victoria, New Zealand, and Britain, and approved the method in force in Victoria, saying that the fault of the present system was in the great economic gap between the public and the private hospitals. The gap should be bridged by a contributory system such as the Bush Nursing Movement, which was inaugurated in Victoria in 1911, and now had 69 nursing centres and 45 hospitals. As new hospitals were established the contributory scheme applying to the nursing centres was transferred to the hospitals. Contributors and their dependents obtained nursing at the hospital and attention for two guineas a week, but provided their own medical attendant. The system, being essentially humane, worked excellently. These Bush hospitals received no Government assistance for construction or maintenance, they

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