

The preparations for the General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses' Association in Vancouver, which are being made by the Registered Nurses' Association of British Columbia, are approaching completion, and it will assemble from June 29th-July 4th, at the Hotel Vancouver.

Miss Grace M. Fairley, Principal and Director of Nurses at the Vancouver General Hospital School of Nursing, B.C., has been exceedingly busy as President of the hostess Province, helping to prepare for the great Biennial Meeting. The programme, which contains numerous interesting events, includes plans for Congress, London, 1937; the Presentation Ceremony and the Award of the Mary Agnes Snively Memorial Medals; the Florence Nightingale Memorial Report by Miss Fairley, Convener of the Memorial Committee; the Florence Nightingale International Foundation Scholar-

Several letters, received quite recently, express gratification for the gift of "Nightingale Bricks," which should bring the younger generations of Nurses into touch with their great Leader.

Who, asks the *Nursing Journal of India*, ever heard of a sea picnic? Perhaps not many people, but ask a Jamsetji Jijibhoy nurse that question and see what reply you get. The sea picnic for the staff of the J. J. Hospital is the outstanding event of the year, and one that is looked forward to for many weeks previously.

It was a perfect day for an outing, with a blue sky and a calm sea, neither too hot nor too cold, and only sufficient wind to call a breeze.

For about 4½ hours the launch glided round the harbour, in and out through the islands, and those who had eyes to spare for such things saw all the beauty of



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ship Award, Miss Elizabeth Smith. The two outstanding subjects for discussion at the Convention will be the Revised Curriculum and Dominion Registration.

Miss Fairley attended "Nightingale Week" in London, convened by the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, in 1932, to discuss the organization of an Educational Memorial to Miss Florence Nightingale, in co-operation with the League of Red Cross Societies, and carried away as a gift from the President of the British College of Nurses, a "Brick" from 10, South Street, the London house of Miss Nightingale, then being demolished—and now, alas, gone for ever.

This gift is now having far extending and happy results. Thanks to the suggestion made by Miss Fairley, that these precious relics should be incorporated conspicuously in the building of new Nurses' Homes or Hospitals, many have already gone into far countries for this purpose.

the changing colours of the sea and sky, together with the green and rock of the various islands.

Soon after starting tea was served, to which everyone did ample justice, with appetites sharpened by the fresh sea air.

Time passed extraordinarily quickly and it did not seem long before the launch was headed again for the quay.

Near the end of the "voyage" the training ship *Dufferin* was passed at close quarters, and everyone crowded to the side to get a glimpse of the sailor boys.

Just after sunset, with the sky lighted up with a rosy afterglow, the launch came to a standstill at the quay of the Gate of India, and so ended a very happy and successful outing, the annual sea picnic of which no one has ever heard until they become a member of the J. J. Hospital staff.

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