

other Royal Christmas Cards that have been framed, and sent in previous years from the College.

Letter from Miss Dora Barlow *re* unjust claim for general rates (due from landlord who had become insolvent).

On advice of President, Miss Barlow appeared on a summons at the County Court and explained as a matter of principle and protest, that she could not afford to pay twice.

Miss Barlow has verbally reported that her appeal had been successful.

Letter from Miss E. Riley, M.B.C.N., home on leave from Hong Kong, sending thanks for the arrangements that have been made for her to visit some of the London hospitals to see the Administration departments.

ELECTION OF FELLOWS AND MEMBERS.

Applications for membership were received, and all the applicants were elected.

DEATHS.

It is with deep regret that the death is reported of:—

(1) Mrs. Dorothy Keats, S.R.N. (*née* Elcock), a Fellow of the College since June, 1926, who died on January 16th after an operation (reported in the last issue of the *B.J.N.*).

(2) Mrs. Maud Annie Margaret Andrews, S.R.N., a Fellow of the College since June, 1926, who died on February 10th after an operation.

The funeral took place on Thursday, February 13th, at Golders Green Crematorium, when Miss M. Breay attended as the representative of the British College of Nurses.

(3) Miss Louisa Brodie, S.R.N., a Fellow of the College since July, 1926, who died on January 28th, 1936 (reported in the last issue of the *B.J.N.*).

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The President reported a satisfactory Financial Statement covering the period since the last Meeting of the Council.

THE REPORT OF THE HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

Miss A. M. Bushby, who was invited to attend, reported: "Since the last meeting of the Council I have been able to get a copy of the first edition of 'Notes on Nursing,' which was reprinted in America in 1860 by Appleton and Co., New York, and it appeared 1860, 1876, 1879, 1883, 1891, 1906, 1908, 1909 ('Life of Florence Nightingale,' by E. T. Cook).

"I still want a Scrap Book for paper cuttings."

Miss Bushby was thanked for her valuable gift.

THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

The Secretary presented a report of the daily activities of the College, which, as usual, were of a strenuous nature. The Hon. Officers of the National Council of Nurses had the pleasure of meeting Miss Kathleen Russell, from Canada, engaged on a Survey of Nursing Education in London, with English colleagues, for the Florence Nightingale International Foundation. Tea was served in the Club Room, which was gaily decorated with Spring flowers.

Miss Russell was shown over the British College of Nurses, and was specially interested in the rooms on the second floor set apart for National and International organisation, and the offices of the *BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING*, where copies are filed from its inception in 1888—the first professional nursing journal in the world—under the title of the *Nursing Record*.

LIST OF GIFTS—JANUARY.

Miss Isabel Macdonald: 10s. for History of Nursing Section.

Miss Helen Lamb: £1.

Miss L. Mason: 8s.

Miss C. Nelson: 3s. for flowers.

Miss Pearl Morrison (sent to Mrs. Fenwick): History of Mount Vernon Hospital, America's Patriotic Shrine by Alla Harrman Rogers.

Miss M. I. Willdon: *Cape Times* Annual.

Miss Foulkes Pritchard: Bird carved in horn.

Mrs. Barker: Flowers.

Miss E. Harrauld: "Bush Memories," by W. H. Honey.

Mrs. C. B. Myers: A Member's Ticket for Royal Horticultural Society.

Miss G. Le Geyt: "Plough Court," The Story of a Notable Pharmacy, 1715 to 1927, compiled by Ernest C. Cripps, Member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.

LIST OF GIFTS—FEBRUARY.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick: Special Forms of Service in Commemoration of His late Majesty King George V. of Blessed and Glorious Memory.

Miss M. Breay: "The Romance of St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle," by Harry W. Blackburne, D.S.O., M.C.

THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING: "A Manual of Tuberculosis for Nurses," by E. Ashworth Underwood.

Miss A. S. Bryson: "Mrs. Pankhurst's Own Story."

Miss A. S. Bryson (for Royal Mementoes History Section): "George the Faithful." The life and times of George V. By Sir Philip Gibbs, K.B.E.

The *Sphere*. The Funeral of King George.

The *Illustrated London News*. Record of the Lying-in-State and Funeral of His late Majesty King George V.

Miss B. A. Bowering: "His Majesty King Edward VIII." The Story of His Life.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

It was unanimously agreed that the next Meeting of the Council be held on Saturday, March 21st, at 2.30 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS.

The President reported that the Presidents of all affiliated societies to the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain had been asked to send in suggestions for subjects for discussion at the International Council of Nurses' Congress to be held in London in 1937, and many valuable suggestions had been received. The Council agreed to add other subjects which should be of international interest.

The President expressed her warm thanks to the Council for lovely flowers and gifts on her recent 79th birthday. The case of "rat-tail" teaspoons with "Jubilee" mark stamped in London, Birmingham, Sheffield, Chester, Edinburgh and Glasgow would be greatly valued as an heirloom, and the Florentine vases, most artistic and decorative, she greatly admired. She thought the contributors had been far too generous. Their kind thought was the most valued part of the gift.

The Meeting then terminated.

DAME CHRISTABEL PANKHURST'S GOOD WISHES.

NEW ALLIANCE CLUB.

8, Cavendish Square, W.1,

DEAR MADAM,—The letter of congratulation sent to me by the President and Council of the British College of Nurses has given me especial pleasure.

I am glad indeed that the Honour conferred upon me by His Majesty the late King George has given satisfaction to the representatives of the great and beneficent profession of nursing.

While deeply appreciating the reference made in their message to my work for Women's enfranchisement, I trust that this reform may increasingly benefit nurses in their professional and civic concerns.

With my thanks to your beloved and admired President and to your Council.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

CHRISTABEL PANKHURST.

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