

The Nurses from Overseas who were in London during the Coronation week write in glowing terms of their enjoyment.

The *New Zealand Nursing Journal*, in the July issue, just received, publishes extracts from a letter from Miss I. Hawkin, a New Zealand Registered Nurse, who writes enthusiastically of the Coronation, where, in Hyde Park, she had "a perfect view of the golden coach—the King and Queen crowned and looking rather overwhelmed and solemn, but very royal—and the crowds cheered furiously as they passed. It was an exquisite moment."

Miss Hawkin writes also :—

"After a week in London I went down to stay with an aunt in Cambridge. Do you know it? A delightful

The same Journal also places on record its deep regret at the passing of Mademoiselle Chaptal in the following words :—

"It is with the deepest regret that we learn of the passing, on Easter Day, of Mademoiselle Chaptal, the honoured president of the International Council of Nurses for the quadrennial period 1929–1933, and of the National Association of Trained Nurses of France since its foundation in 1923.

"Mademoiselle Chaptal's great and inspiring work for the nursing profession, both in her own country and internationally, are well known to all members of the Council.

"We nurses of New Zealand join with all members of the International Council of Nurses in expressing their heartfelt sympathy to the members of the Trained



THE NURSES' HOME, BETHLEM ROYAL HOSPITAL, MONK'S ORCHARD.

old place and so full of history and associations. Of the cottage I could talk for weeks—of the chapel at King's which must surely be among the most beautiful in the world, and its exquisite choir.

"The new surgical block was extremely nice with a very modern theatre and X-ray departments—green walls, grey rubber floorings and tiles used with delightful abandon in the building of all sluice and sterilising rooms. High surgical beds with a winding control to eliminate lifting and divided mattresses on all beds. Wooden lockers with rubber tops and long wooden bed tables.

"One day we motored up through the fen country, parts of which are still under water—and with its dykes and windmills looks very like pictures of Holland—to the bulb fields in Lincolnshire—acres and acres of tulips—a blaze of red and yellow and purple and gold and all the half shades between that the eye can imagine—lovely!"

Nurses' Association of France in the loss of their great and beloved leader."

The above picture of the fine Nurses' Home at the Bethlem Royal Hospital, Monk's Orchard, will, we feel sure, give pleasure to those members of the International Congress of Nurses who spent a most enjoyable afternoon there on the last day of the Congress.

RESIGNATION OF MISS MURIEL EDWARDS.

The resignation of Miss Muriel Edwards, S.R.N., of the important post of Assistant Secretary to the International Council of Nurses is a very serious loss to the Nursing Profession throughout the world. Her devotion to duty during the recent organisation of the International Congress of Nurses could not have been exceeded, and we deplore her loss with keen personal regret.

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