

intelligently." Miss Duff-Grant also paid tribute to Miss Stewart's yeoman service in the cause of the education of the nurse.

Miss A. Wilkinson (India) said that the nurses of India were agitating for a post-graduate education before the War, as many of them were called upon to administer large Training Schools, with very little experience.

There were now Courses for Administrators and Sister-Tutors. Those nurses who were accepted for the Courses had to produce evidence of a Senior post in view, as the Courses could not be taken merely to obtain an extra certificate. The Delhi University now offered a four-year Course for a B.Sc. in Nursing.

A MESSAGE FROM THE STAR OF THE NURSING WORLD.

"Our last International Council of Nurses Meeting has dispersed—It was a marvellous and thrilling meeting.

Looking back to the year 1892 (or 1891?) when Mrs. Fenwick came to Baltimore to talk over nursing development with Miss Hampton at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, I wish that our audience could have seen them there in earnest discussion.

All our wider national growths and our International Council organizations were in the seeds of thought there and then planted. Two unusually beautiful women they were; Mrs. Fenwick dark, brilliant, flashing in speech; Miss Hampton, blonde, quiet in manner but earnest.

Mrs. Fenwick was English through and through, yet there was something about her that was French—hard to define. This made a fascinating combination.

Miss Hampton was Canadian, blue-eyed, gentle but with an air of quiet authority. When she spoke, her manner was described later by a delegate from Holland, as "her gentle force."

Their ideas and ideals were the same; their opportunities were similar and their achievements were proportionate for a time. But Mrs. Fenwick's continued throughout a long life, undiminished, while Isabel Hampton was cut off by an early death.

Many beautiful photographs of Mrs. Fenwick are in existence but I believe the only life like one of Miss Hampton is that one in *Scribner's Magazine* of the early time, now reproduced in the *History of Nursing*. The painting in the hospital though a fine one in general appearance does not quite show the character of her lips and chin—"

LAVINIA L. DOCK.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF NURSES.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Monday Evening, May 12th, 1947, 9 p.m.

FORMAL RECEPTION.

The Formal Reception which was a very grand affair, was held in the Renaissance Room of the Ambassador Hotel. The American Nurses Association was the Hostess for the evening and in the receiving line were Miss Effie J. Taylor, President, Dame Ellen Musson, Hon. Treasurer, and Miss Anna Schwarzenberg, Executive Secretary. The A.N.A. officials included, Miss K. J. Densford, President, Miss A. Eldredge, former President and Miss M. Kennedy, Treasurer. Music was furnished by Teva Gorodetsky and his Continental Ensemble. The evening was very enjoyable and the refreshments were dainty and cool.

It was a pity that the Renaissance Room had not elastic walls, for the company was so great, however no one's enjoyment was curtailed because of lack of space.

At 7 p.m., just prior to the official function, the Nurses of the British Commonwealth met together informally at the invitation of the Canadian Nurses Association and naturally found much of Empire interest for small-talk

Tuesday Evening,
May 13th, at 8.30 p.m.

THE PHILADELPHIA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA.

The President for this most enjoyable musical evening was Miss Katharine J. Densford, President of the A.N.A. The Hostess again was the American Nurses Association

and the introductions were by Miss Ruth W. Hubbard. It was a great thrill to actually see the members of the famous Philadelphia Orchestra, for many of us were familiar with it by Radio only. The Selections chosen were most beautifully rendered and gave the greatest possible pleasure to the audience.

Wednesday Evening, May 14th, at 8 p.m.

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE ORATION GIVEN BY MRS LUCY SEYMER, M.A. (Oxon)

There is no doubt that the evening of the Florence Nightingale Oration was one of the most outstanding social events of the great Congress week. It was held in the General Assembly Room of Convention Hall, and by 7.45 p.m., it was packed to capacity.

Miss Mary I. Lambie was presiding and she most charmingly introduced Mrs. Seymer to her audience. Mrs. Seymer's Address dealt with a hitherto little known aspect of Miss Nightingale's writings, which were generally written for the Government of the day and not for the lay public.



SOME GUESTS AT DAME ELLEN MUSSON'S SHERRY PARTY ON BOARD THE "QUEEN ELIZABETH."

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