

NURSE, 82, PRAISES SISTERS OF TODAY

Modern Methods Incalculably Better, Says Woman. Fund for D. C. Work Sought.

The methods employed today by the instructive visiting nurse would have saved many an arm or leg from being amputated a half century ago, in the opinion of Mrs. Della B. Steuart of 1228 12th street northwest, who sought out the nurses' society for aid when taken ill a few days ago. Mrs. Steuart was a civil war nurse, and volunteered her services, caring for the sick and wounded from 1861 until she was mustered out of the Army service in 1868. She was stationed at Camp Hamilton, Fort Monroe, as assistant nurse to Surgeon Cooper, who was in charge.

The favorite dressing used in those days for the wounded, she told the visiting nurse, was sea salt steeped in whiskey for twenty-four hours. When Gen. Lee surrendered Mrs. Steuart was at Camp Grant, Richmond, and has in her possession now a horseshoe from the foot of Lee's horse, which was given her by his orderly. Mrs. Steuart's husband was a non-commissioned officer in the Union forces and had charge of Jeff Davis when he was arrested.

Mrs. Steuart has not left her room for the past six years. Now and then an instructive visiting nurse drops in for a visit, and Mrs. Steuart is always eager to learn how the nurse cares for her patients. She is now eighty-two years old and receives a small pension from the government. It is the privilege of the visiting nurse to minister to the wants of every one. All colors, races and creeds call on her for help, and now the nurse calls on those who suffer no ills for help, too. The following are suggestions for assistance:

For one visit to a sick patient, 50 cents; membership in the Instructive Visiting Nurses' Association for one year, \$1; for a daily visit to a sick person for one week, \$5.50; for the delivery care of a mother and new baby, \$2.50; for nursing care for a mother and new baby for ten days, \$11.50; for a daily visit for a month, \$24; for a daily visit for one year, \$252; for the salary of a nurse in perpetuity, \$35,000. Visits are made daily, many to homes where not even 50 cents can be paid to the nurse. The sick need help, and the society cannot give it unless it in turn receives assistance. Checks and cash should be sent to Joshua Evans, Jr., treasurer, room 220 Star building.

OLDEST COLORED CITIZENS ELECT

The annual banquet and election of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association (colored) of the District of Columbia was held last night at its headquarters, the Twelfth Street Branch of the Y. M. C. A., 12th street between S and T streets. Incumbent

officers were re-elected, accepting that George Walton was chosen secretary, and John H. Paynter, who some months ago resigned as historian, was prevailed upon to again accept that office.

The officers are: President, John C. Atkinson; vice presidents, Samuel W. Watson, Edward W. Turner, Judge Robert H. Terrell, George W. Stewart and George W. Jackson; financial secretary, William T. Smith; treasurer, John I. Jackson; custodian, John A. Davis; steward, William Fennell; chaplain, John Taylor; marshal, Walter Young; William Rogers, Charles E. Robinson and Capt. West A. Hamilton form the board of directors. Daniel Murray, for many years an assistant librarian, Library of Congress, now retired, read a paper on the early days of slavery, the growth of the abolition sentiment and of the act of Congress of April 18, 1862, which freed all slaves in the District of Columbia. Remarks in eulogy of the late recording secretary, James W. Muse, who had served the association in that capacity since its organization in 1912, were made by President Atkinson, President Emeritus Eugene Brooks and Mr. Turner.

Satisfactory progress was reported by the committee having charge of the collection of a fund for the purchase of a building for a permanent home for the association.

RUM FLEET OFF TEXAS.

DALLAS, Tex., April 17.—A rum fleet is operating off the Texas coast, according to Charles Becke, local federal prohibition agent. Ships from Mexico and South American points, and even from Europe, are bringing liquor into the Gulf of Mexico, Becke said.

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IRISH REPUBLICAN LEADER DIES HERE

Laurence Ginnell Found Dead in Rooms at La Fayette Hotel.

Laurence Ginnell, representative in the United States of the Irish republican forces, died suddenly in his rooms at the Hotel La Fayette today.

Mr. Ginnell was a man past seventy years of age. He was in apparent good health early today, and when a hotel attendant called to deliver a message said that he would attend to it later. On going back he was found dead.

Before coming to Washington to testify before the committee of 100 on conditions in Ireland, Mr. Ginnell, who was a former member of the British house of commons, had been imprisoned for fourteen months in Ireland for his stand on the Irish question.

After the committee had finished its work he left the United States for South America, where he represented the Irish republican cause at Buenos Aires and other Latin American cities until the truce between England and Ireland was signed. He then returned to America, where he has since remained.

Representatives from the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic called at the hotel and took charge of the body. Mrs. Ginnell, now in New York city, has been notified.

Miss Florence King is a product of an Iowa farm, who has graduated in law, and is now a noted and successful patent lawyer. But specializing in patent law is not her only work. She is also a successful engineer.



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