DIPLOMAS FROM THE DUCHESS



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The Duchess of Kent yesterday visited Bedford College for Women, N.W., to present certificates of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation (for the advanced training of nurses in England from all parts of the world). With her is Miss Geraldine Jebb, principal of the college.

## PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES BY H.R.H. THE DUCHESS OF KENT.

The Presentation of Certificates to the Students who have satisfactorily completed the International Courses. held at Bedford College for Women (University of London) is always a most interesting and picturesque ceremony. This event will take place on June 26th next at Bedford College, at 3.30 p.m., and the announcement that the Certificates will be presented by H.R.H. the Duchess of Kent has given great pleasure to the students and will add éclat to the occasion. Sir Arthur Stanley, G.B.E., C.B., M.V.O., Hon. Treasurer of the Foundation, will be in the Chair, and Addresses will be delivered by Miss Daisy Bridges, S.R.N. (Sister, St. Thomas's Hospital), who has on various occasions, represented Florence Nightingale in pageants-notably at the International Council of Nurses Meeting in Paris, in 1933-and by Miss G. E. Jebb, M.A. (Cantab.), Principal of Bedford College. Mr. H. L. Eason, the

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Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, will also address the students.

The Votes of Thanks will be proposed by Miss Irene M. Abelgas, Philippine Islands, and Miss Josephine G. Thompson, Great Britain, after which there will be a Reception.

The annual meeting of the Old Internationals Association will be held on June 25th, and will be followed by the annual dinner at the Cowdray Club on June 26th.

The eloquence of these foreign ladies in after-dinner speeches is an object lesson to their British colleagues, who might well in the future attain some of their facility of speech in foreign tongues. This farewell dinner has its note of sadness, as it is followed by the flitting away of the year's students from Florence Nightingale International House, where so many happy friendships have been formed. We hope many Nightingale students will be with us for the great I.C.N. Congress in July, 1937.