

with lovely trees, just beginning to bud, and although only a few yards away from Fleet Street, can hardly hear a sound but the birds singing in the trees.

Extract from a letter from Barbara Fulton from Madras, about a hostel which she helps to run:—

Most of the students are medicals and are amusingly like our own medicals in many ways. They are also nearly all Assyrian Christians and Malayalams from Travancore—a very interesting type and unique in India in the important position they give to women, all property being inherited through the female line. Their church is very old. Legend says that it was founded by St. Thomas, and there seems little doubt that it was. They are rather temperamental and very easily offended, being very independent and inclined to domineer.

From Dr. U. L. Fielding:—

I think I told you of our visit to Haarlem, and the tulip fields. One might say equally well the hyacinth fields—for there seemed to be about the same amount of each. We saw them all a second time as our train went between Haarlem and Leyden on the way to Brussels. We came back by way of Brussels and Paris. I do not think that I told you of the lovely day we had when Dr. Kappers took us in a boat along miles of canals to Volendam and Marken and back to Amsterdam, across the Zuyder Zee. It was a bright sunny day, and the sky and water were a deep blue, and it was warm enough to be very pleasant as we went along. At Marken and Volendam, the people still wear their national dress, differing somewhat in each place. It was very strange to me that the canals are so much above the surrounding fields in level, it seemed—uncanny for us to be going along in a big steam-boat and looking down upon the fields. There is a great scheme now being put into action in Holland for the draining of the Zuyder Zee (except the Channel by which the Rhine water goes out) and so adding another province to the country. It will take 50 years, they say, but it is expected to be well worth while for agricultural purposes.

NEWS OF OLD STUDENTS.

Dr. U. L. Fielding delivered a course of lectures in Neurology at Michigan University, U.S.A., during the year.

Portia Holman has accepted a position with Professor Lahy, of Paris, in connection with researches in Industrial Psychology.

Jennette Howes sailed on 21st September for Burmah, where she is to be married to Herbert Marsh.

Annette Jenkins is teaching at the High School, River-ton, S.A.

Mrs. Milton Lloyd (Myril Bowman) is doing good work as a sculptor in Paris, where she has been studying for some time. An appreciative article of her work appeared in the *Revue Illustree*.

Barbara Fulton is with the Young Women's Christian Association, Madras, and is enjoying her work.

Mrs. Reynolds is on a visit to U.S.A. She writes from New York of visiting San Francisco, Chicago, the Yosemite Valley and Niagara on her way across the continent.

Maisie Godfrey has returned to Australia after more than two years' absence in England and India. In 1925 she was on the staff of the United Mission Girls' High School, Calcutta, and in 1926 was in charge of a hostel for University Women students in the same city. On her way back to Australia she visited Grace Fredericksen (Newbery), in Sumatra. She has now undertaken for six months the position of Girls' Department Secretary in the Y.W.C.A.

Grace Fredericksen is at present in Australia.

In April, 1927, Messrs. Ward Lock brought out an Australian story, *Betsy*, by Cecily Little, under the pseudonym of Jane Ashmore.

Births.

To Dr. and Mrs. Scott-Orr (G. R. Noble) on 30th June—a son.

To Dr. and Mrs. Mervyn Thomas (Marjory Ross), on 2nd March, 1925—a daughter; and on 25th August, 1926—a son.

To Dr. and Mrs. Sear (D. Voss) on 26th April, 1927—a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Black (D. M. Philp) 20th March, 1926—a son; and on 17th May, 1927—a daughter.