

And now what shall I say in conclusion? My life has been greatly enriched through contact with Ellis Island-meeting and assisting all sorts and conditions of men, women and children from the very ends of the earth. The Island is small but what a host of people have tarried here and have received encouragement and help. I have known so many of them and their joys and their sorrows were mine. Many have come back again and again to visit the hospital and to express their thanks for the attention extended to them by doctors and nurses. Gratitude thus acknowledged is perhaps the most precious of all.

The doctors and nurses who have served with me have, with few exceptions, been perfectly wonderful. Their character has stood the most severe tests and they have proven their worth over and over again. Many of them have since left the Hospital but we still keep in touch with one another. Of the good and kind Doctor Lavinder I can not speak too highly. He took charge of the Station in 1929 and since then he has wrought wonderful improvements, increasing the efficiency of the Hospital all the time, and making us all proud to be identified with it in an official capacity. God give him the health and strength to continue.

My final words are those of gratitude to the Almighty for the excellent health I have enjoyed and for the precious opportunity which HE vouchsafed to me in assigning as my life work the duties of nurse in the Immigration Service at Ellis Island Hospital. My cordial thanks and my sincere good wishes to my friends - I have no enemies - and may we all realize the truth of the saying - "the best is yet to be."