well I remember, when in Hospital, the disappointment I experienced when I found I was not to wear outdoor uniform, which I had looked upon as a source of protection to women who have to go about alone. I am sure every Nurse ought to be proud of it; and our friends, whatever position they may hold in life, need not be ashamed to show society their visitor, but should rather be proud of the woman who has adopted for her vocation such a noble profession.

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