

trained Nurses,' had sent out inexperienced pupils. It will be for the public, by consulting the Register, to render this sort of thing impossible."

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THE Empress Frederick paid a private visit last week to the Throat and Ear Hospital in Golden Square, W., an Institution in which she is well known to manifest a warm interest. Her Majesty was accompanied by the Countess Perponcher and Col. Du Plat, and was received on arrival at the Hospital by Sir Morell Mackenzie, Lord Calthorp, the President; Mr. Courtney Welch, Chairman of the Committee; Col. A. B. Cook, Mr. Hovell, Mr. Hazlehurst, Mr. Murphy, Mr. F. Horniman (the last of whom set on foot with a liberal donation the new Children's Ward, which is about to be opened), and the Lady Superintendent, Miss Mackey. The Empress visited all the Wards, had a few pleasant words for each of the sufferers, and expressed her gratification at the general cheerfulness of their surroundings. Before leaving, Her Majesty was presented with a bouquet by one of the youngest of the patients, a boy on whom the operation of tracheotomy had been performed. Tommy quaintly remarked, "Dat was a nice lady, but she 'tooked' the flowers away."

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THE Sister-in-Charge, with her two Head Nurses, were much pleased at receiving from Sir Morell Mackenzie an exquisitely engraved silver medalion, on the obverse side a figure of Hygieia with the Hospital motto, *Extant recte factis premia*, and on the reverse: "To Sister Mackey, in appreciation of special service from November, 1890, to April, 1891, from Sir Morell Mackenzie, Throat Hospital." The names on the other two being Nurse Ethel and Nurse Isabel, with the same inscription, accompanied with a very kind note. They all naturally feel extremely gratified at this special mark of favour and acknowledgment of their work.

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THE following is another "gem" culled from the evidence of the wretched piece of business known as the Homerton Hospital Scandal:—

Nurse Barnes said she went to the Hospital at the time of the great epidemic in 1887. She was chiefly engaged among the children. She had never given bad food to the patients, but she had seen it in the Hospital. Sometimes the beef-tea was tainted, and on mentioning the fact to the Doctor she got beef-jelly instead.

Mr. Gye: What do you say about the eggs?—The eggs were sometimes bad, but I never had difficulty in getting them changed. Sometimes I could not get them in time, and the elder children would go without till the morning, when they had a double allowance.

What else have you seen bad in the Hospital?—The fish was not always nice, but she could not say that it was really bad. It was not served in a manner tempting to sick

children. There was always plenty of milk of good quality, and she had no fault to find with the bread. The butter was not always nice, and sometimes unless witness was very hungry she would have left it rather than eat it. She never called the attention of the Doctor or anyone else to the butter, because when the children could not eat it witness made them bread and milk. The children always had sufficient food.

How about the meat?—I have never seen it bad, but it has always been cooked in the same manner. It was always boiled mutton. She had known the stimulants to come up in bottles with no corks, but she had no complaints to make about the bottles themselves. *She had bathed three or four children in the same water, but not at the same time.*

What about the clothing?—The little boys' clothing was always warm and comfortable, but that supplied to the little girls was neither nice nor warm.

This, too, from a witness supposed to be for the defence! I italicise a somewhat novel and startling admission.

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I HAVE much pleasure in stating that Miss G. Randolph has recently undertaken the charge of a Home of Rest at Folkestone. The Home is open to women in business, school mistresses Nurses and other workers, on payment of 15s. weekly, or with separate bedroom, 20s. Governesses, and other ladies of limited means, can be received on the same terms. The Vicar of Folkestone (Rev. M. Woodward) is visitor to the Home. It is in a good situation, near the church and sea, and has a large cheerful sitting room, with piano, &c. The rules are few and simple, viz.:—Visitors are asked—(1) To attend morning and evening prayers; (2) To be punctual at meals; (3) To make their own beds; (4) Not to be out after nine o'clock supper, unless by special arrangement with the Lady Superintendent. Application for admission should be made to Miss G. Randolph, Canterbury House, Alexandra Gardens, Folkestone, who will forward a form to be filled up, and signed by some responsible person. The terms mentioned above are for visits of from one to four weeks; special arrangements can sometimes be made for those wishing to make a longer stay at the Home, or to reside there permanently.

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I REGRET to note that in the influenza epidemic at present ranging in America no less than seventy-two Nurses of the Illinois Training School have fallen victims to the disease, and that many of them are in a critical condition.

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I HAVE to announce the recent death of Sister Roberts, of the Typhoid Wards, at the Bradford Fever Hospital, after a long and painful illness. She served eighteen years of faithful service, and was greatly respected and deeply regretted.

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I HEAR that Dr. G. H. Humphreys, the Resident

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