

of the Hausberge Allee and the Matthias Strasse). This building is intended for the accommodation of the 'Victoria Sisters,' an Association started by Her Imperial Majesty, in 1883, for the training of Nurses.

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NURSES (Members of the Association) who intend to take up private Nursing, will be able to live in the House during the period of their training, but it is intended especially as a "Home" for the Nurses when fully trained, and as a refuge for the Nurses when sick or convalescent. The Nurses will also be able to make use of the building during their free hours, although not residing there. Of the £12,500 necessary for the building, furnishing, etc., £6,000 was got together by subscriptions, the remainder of the sum being given by the Town Council of Berlin.

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THE Home, which, though the foundation stone was only laid to-day, is approaching completion, is a handsome structure in English Renaissance (with a touch of Gothic) style, the designer being the State Architect SCHULZE, who designed the House of Parliament here. Accommodation for 100 Sisters will be provided at present, but room has been left for extension of the building if found necessary. The Empress, who was accompanied by the Princesses CHARLOTTE, VICTORIA, and

MARGARET, Prince ADOLF of Schaumburg-Lippe, and Prince FREDERIC CARL of Hesse, was received, in the presence of a distinguished assembly, by the Matron of the Home, Fräulein FAHRMANN, and the Committee of the Association, a choir singing one of BACH'S Chorals. And after various speeches and the usual proceedings on such occasions, the Empress presented the 'Victoria badge' to 24 Sisters who had completed their training this year. The choir then sang the 100th Psalm, and hearty cheers were given for the Empress."

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I AM told, on the best authority, that the White-chapel Board of Guardians have lately experienced the greatest difficulty in retaining the services of Nurses in the Infirmary of the Union. At a meeting of the Guardians on Tuesday 18th, the Infirmary Visiting Committee reported to the Board on the matter. The Committee stated that the wholesale resignation of Nurses which had recently taken place, because they had found more lucrative positions, pointed to the fact that if they were to secure the services of competent ladies, increased salaries must be given, especially taking into consideration the disadvantages of the locality. The Board unanimously adopted the recommendations of the Committee as to appreciable increase in salary throughout, and in this respect the institution will be placed on a level with the best in the country.

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