

women whose whole lives have been devoted to tending the sick, the suffering and the dying. These are our objects, and we ourselves know how much there yet remains for an Association such as ours to accomplish in the future. Our aims affect the welfare both of the public and of the Nurses themselves, and we seek to bind together in common action all who are engaged in following woman's highest and noblest calling. This is a work which can only be done by the united efforts of skilled Nurses themselves in harmony with the medical profession. We look to the latter for guidance, for advice, and no less for loyal co-operation. This much being accomplished, we can confidently commend the claims of all fully-trained members of the nursing vocation to the general sympathy and support of the generous public, who, we trust, will aid us in carrying out the benevolent schemes we are anxious to further as a part of the work of the Association. I feel sure that once the objects and intentions of this Association are fully recognized and understood in Scotland, we shall have your entire interest and support, and that the opposition and misrepresentation we have hitherto had to encounter will become a thing of the past. It is with great admiration that I have observed the splendid manner in which you have organised and developed the Queen's Jubilee Nursing Institute, and I can but feel that the same wisdom and energy will henceforth characterize your efforts in connexion with the work we are inaugurating to-day in this grand old metropolis. There is no conflict between these two institutions; on the contrary, they may mutually and effectually aid each other. For myself I can but promise to help you in all ways to the best of my power, supported as I am by those to whose ability and untiring efforts so much of the success of the Association is due. Will you allow me once more to express to you all my great pleasure in having been able to be here to-day, as well as my warm appreciation of the kind reception I have met with at your hands? Believe me it is a subject of great gratification to myself to be a fellow-worker in this great nursing movement. With all my heart I wish success and prosperity to the Scotch National Branch of the Royal British Nurses' Association. (Cheers.)

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SIR DYCE DUCKWORTH then explained the objects of the Association, and Professor GRAINGER STEWART and the Lord JUSTICE-GENERAL also spoke. On the motion of Sir DOUGLAS MACLAGAN, seconded by Dr. HERON WATSON, a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Princess CHRISTIAN, and the pro-

ceedings terminated. The Princess afterwards took tea at the Queen Victoria Jubilee Nurses' Home in Castle-terrace. In the course of the afternoon Her Royal Highness visited John Knox's house.

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HER Royal Highness, on Friday, visited Glasgow and inspected the Children's Hospital and the Royal Infirmary. It is unnecessary to say that her visit has excited the greatest enthusiasm, and that it is believed that the leading Scottish medical men have determined that their National Branch shall be as successful in its way as the English section has been.

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THE opponents of the Association are struggling to make it appear that they have not been so badly beaten after all. Nurses are immensely amused to find Mr. HENRY C. BURDETT pretending that all the opposition to the Charter was made against the Register, and that it has been so far successful that the Privy Council has not given the Association power to keep a Register at all. In the first place this is untrue, for the object of the opposition has been to crush the Association altogether; and, in the next place, there seems reason to believe that, when the Charter is published, the opponents will be disappointed to find that the Privy Council has actually given the Association more powers, in respect to the Register, than the Association asked for.

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I AM glad to hear that Miss MINNIE DRAKARD has been appointed Matron of the Taunton Sanitary Hospital. Miss DRAKARD was trained at the Boston Hospital, and then worked for four years at the General Hospital, Nottingham, as Staff Nurse and Sister of the Fever House. She is a Member of the Royal British Nurses' Association and a Registered Nurse.

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A CORRESPONDENT writes:—"Here, at the World's Fair, all is still chaos—the British Nursing Section and Dr. OWEN's emergency Hospital excepted. The former is an object lesson in order, punctuality, and finish, to the Nurses of all nations—in the Women's Building. The New York Training Schools are to have a small exhibit, which is now being arranged by Miss DENNIS, the President (unprofessional), of Auburn Hospital, New York State. When finished, I will send you a detailed account. Two of the Philadelphia Hospitals exhibit a few photographs on a screen—of which more anon. I hear the Illinois Training Schools, of Chicago, are having a special building constructed

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