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Editorial.

THE QUEEN'S NURSES.

THE simple but impressive ceremony which took place at Windsor last week, when Her Majesty received some four hundred of the women who are honoured by bearing the title of "Queen's Nurses," has attracted much public as well as professional notice, inasmuch as it elicited from our gracious Sovereign a short speech of welcome, which were in Her Majesty's "own words," in a sense far beyond that which the term, as used in Parliamentary life, usually implies.

The Jubilee Institute for Nurses, as probably most of our readers remember, was founded by the Queen in 1888, and was endowed with about £70,000, the gift of the Women of England to the Sovereign, upon her Jubilee. It was hoped by the gracious donor that the fund might be the means of carrying the benefits of trained Nursing into every part of her Kingdom, and of improving both the education and the work of District Nurses. The Institute thus founded has steadily progressed in usefulness, and has within the last eight years accomplished so great a work that the complete fulfilment of its Founder's wishes

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