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A NEW CONSUMPTION HOSPITAL,

A new institution is to be founded for the treatment of consumptive patients at Sand Pits Farm, Nayland, Suffolk. It is to be carried on by a company called the East Anglian Sanatorium Company, Limited. The Chairman of the Directorate is Mrs. Henry Fawcett, and some of the members are Mr. P. B. Walker, Dewsbury; Miss Wilkinson, Gower Street; and Mr. S. R. Whitley, of Puttenden Manor, Longfeld The Sector Longfield. The Sanatorium is to be under the charge of Dr. Jane Walker, who first began in England six years ago the new German method of treating consumption at a small farmhouse at Downham, Norfolk. The chief features of treatment were plenty of pure air, open air life, abundance of food and carefully-regulated exercise, and rest. The experiment proved that the results obtained from the method of treatment were as satisfactory in this country as on the Continent. At the beginning of last year a house was taken at Denver-an adjoining village-in which it was possible to carry out the treatment more thoroughly. It is stated that many patients suffering from consumption in various stages have been completely cured, and have returned to active work. The applications for admission have far exceeded the accommodation, and it has therefore now been decided to build a sanatorium for forty-five patients on the most approved modern lines. The site at Nayland-about seven miles from Colchesteris said to be one of the driest and sunniest in England. The institution will be built on a southern slope, commanding a pleasant and extensive view, and there is ample space for walks, shelters, gardens, etc. We understand that the sanatorium is designed for paying patients; but it may be hoped that in the future accommodation and treatment will be provided by public charity for a poor class of patients. Any means which are found to be efficient in successfully combatting consump-tion, which has for so long claimed annually so many thousands of victims in this country, is worthy of all the support that can be given to it.

RED CROSS ORGANIZATION.

We recorded last week that the Red Cross Organization in this country was to be further extended. There is no doubt that such extension is urgently necessary, if we are to keep pace with the organization in connection with the Central Society in other countries. For

instance, the official report of the Russian Red Cross Society lately issued shows that the membership amounts to 17,387 persons. That there are 90 hospitals belonging to the 78 Sisterhoods of the Society, the total number of Sisters being 2,200. The Society equipped an ambulance consisting of two surgeons and 20 Sisters for service in the Græco-Turkish War. The receipts amounted for the year to over 2,400,000 roubles, while the expenditure was 2,178,000 roubles. The funds at the disposal of the Society are estimated at 10,411,110 in roubles, while the real estate possessed by it is estimated at more than three millions of roubles. We fear it will be long before our own Red Cross Society can report such a flourishing condition of affairs.

STRAIGHT FOR THE GOLD.

LADY GROVE has earned the thanks and the warm support of those who are in earnest as to Women's Suffrage by her brave proposition at the Annual Council of the Women's Liberal Federation that the Council should urge its members not to give any assistance to candidates for parliamentary election who had not declared in favour of Women's Suffrage. No other attitude, from the point of view of the sincere suffragist, is tenable for a moment. We go even further, and are of opinion that women should definitely organize to actively oppose the return of any parliamentary candidate who will not pledge himself to support their demand for the franchise. Until they obtain this we do not think they should have any politics, for of what force are their political associations? They are merely the tools which are used for the convenience of their men. The franchise first, political opinions afterwards. We shall then have a right to them. Lady Grove's resolution was ultimately lost, but, not before she had proved beyond doubt, that an intense feeling in its favour inspired many of those present. In fact, so strong was the feeling that a contemporary reported that "the intensity of the meeting was almost exhausting."

The NURSING RECORD is entirely in sympathy with Lady Grove in her aim straight at the gold. It is time that those in earnest upon this matter, closed up their ranks, eliminating those who are not whole-heartedly suffragists, let political expediency be what it may. Then with enfranchisement as our watchword, and no price too dear to pay for it, we may hope to attain our end.



