

MRS. ISABEL HAMPTON ROBB.

President of the National Associated Alumnae of the United States and Canada.

THE name of Mrs. Hampton Robb is indissolubly associated with the progress and organization of the profession of nursing. As Miss Isabel Hampton she received her training at the "Mother of Training Schools," the Belle Vue Hospital, New York, and, after her graduation, she came to Europe, where she studied the nursing question from its professional aspect, and gained experience in private nursing while wintering on the Riviera. Later she was appointed Superintendent of the Illinois Training School for Nurses at Chicago, in which capacity she had under her charge the Cooke County and the Presbyterian Hospitals. Here she did good pioneer work for some years, and resigned this important position to organize the nursing school in connection with the beautiful new Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore—a school which now leads the van of all nursing reform and progress in the United States.

In 1892 we had the great pleasure of visiting this school as Miss Hampton's guest, and still retain a lively recollection of the three days spent in

her charming and inspiring society. She had just then been selected as the Chairman of the Nursing Sub-section of the Charities Congress, to be held the following year in conjunction with the World's Fair at Chicago, and it was during this delightful time that we exchanged views and hopes concerning the formation of the American Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses—

a scheme in which Miss Hampton was deeply interested, and which has since been inaugurated in the States and Canada on lines suggested by her.

She further also took a leading part in organizing the National Associated Alumnae of the United States and Canada, and was elected its first President, a position which she still holds.

Miss Isabel Hampton was married in England to Dr. Robb, of Cleveland, Ohio, Miss Florence Nightingale sending her her bouquet for the occasion. As a married woman Mrs. Robb retains all her keen interest in her profession. Her book,

"Nursing," which she has recently revised up to date, is widely recognised as a standard work, she has held the position of President of the American Society of Superintendents of Training Schools, and recently she has taken an active part in conjunction with her professional colleagues in endeavouring to secure the passage of a Bill to establish an American Army Nursing Service.



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