

Hampton Robb; also the following officers of the two societies; Miss Merritt, Brooklyn City Hospital; Miss Nutting, Johns Hopkins' Hospital; Miss McIsaac, Illinois Training School for Nurses, Cook County and Presbyterian Hospitals, Chicago; Miss Riddle, City Hospital, Boston; Miss McDowell, Newton Hospital, Mass.; Miss Milne, Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia; Miss Griswold, Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital, Boston; Miss Linda Richards, Taunton Hospital for the Insane, Mass.; Miss Aline; Miss Hackett; Miss Thornton, Secretary, Associated Alumnae; Miss Healy, Treasurer, Associated Alumnae; Miss L. L. Dock, Hon. Secretary, Superintendents' Society and International Council of Nurses; and Miss Snively, Toronto General Hospital, Treasurer, International Council of Nurses.

The names of this Committee are ample guarantee that the work of organizing a Congress will be undertaken in a thorough-going and enthusiastic way. The Committee expects to get out preliminary circulars in a short time. Later a formal organization of the Committee will take place, and the programme of papers will be made out.

The Board of Women Managers is expected to look after the interests of the Conventions scheduled for next summer in Buffalo, such as the women's clubs and similar organizations.

The nurses of Buffalo are represented on this Board, and no proposed meetings are arousing more general interest than the International Nursing Congress, which will assemble there in September. It is stated that arrangements are under way whereby the Pan-American Exposition management may lease part of the Women's Union Building for use by women's conventions during the Exposition period. It will prove an ideal place for such conventions, having a fine hall and commodious committee rooms, and is in every way adapted for the purpose.

#### PROTECTIVE LEGISLATION.

The work of organizing the nurses of New York State into a State Association has begun in good earnest. The Committee charged with the responsibility of assembling a convention to organize under the laws of the State of New York are—Miss Sylveen V. Nye and Miss Damer, of the Buffalo Nurses' Association; Miss V. Z. Foote and Miss Dock, of New York; Miss Allerton, of Rochester, and Miss Merritt, of Brooklyn.

Through the summer the Chairman, Miss Nye, did an immense amount of preparatory work,

going about through the State getting names and addresses of local associations and of hospitals and schools, making known the movement and its importance, and arousing interest.

Each member of the Committee has now had assigned to her a certain number of schools and associations to visit, to address the nurses on the subject and to ask for delegates to the general convention.

This, if possible, will be held early in the beginning of the new year, probably in Albany, the State capital.

Restrictive—or, rather, protective—legislation relating to the nursing profession is, of course, the ultimate goal of a State organization. However, it will not be entered into hastily, but the association first firmly welded together.

#### FRESH FIELDS.

It will interest her English friends to know that Miss M. Eugenie Hibbard sailed for Cuba on September 29th, having been offered, by cablegram, and accepted, the position of Superintendent of the Training School for Nurses at Matanzas.

### Queen's Jubilee Institute.

#### SCOTTISH BRANCH.

At the quarterly meeting of the Scottish Council of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, the usual report on three months' work stated that in addition to the permanent staff of five Queen's nurses, the Council were responsible for forty-four probationers at various stages of hospital and district training. Eight nurses completed their training, and were engaged by affiliated associations. A new branch had been formed locally at Otter Ferry, and Errol had engaged a Queen's nurse on trial with a view to affiliation. The nurses under ten branches had been inspected and reported on to the Executive Committee. Cases nursed in Edinburgh from the Training Home, 1,223; visits paid, 19,961; cases still on books, 330. Response to special appeal for increased income:—Donations, £126 1s.; grants from County Councils and burghs, £63 2s.; subscriptions, £1; legacies, none.

#### SOUTH AFRICAN INVALIDS.

The news that General Baden-Powell and Miss Roberts are suffering from enteric fever, has occasional national regret. Universal hopes are expressed for their recovery, but in this disease there must always be anxiety for the sufferers until convalescence is well established.

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