

Applicators.
 Evacuator for removing urine.
 Long-mouthed toothed forceps.
 One needle holder, needles
Other articles needed—
 One electric battery, one head mirror, one lamp.
 One pair long stockings, legholders, drainage tubing, one rubber band, towels, ligatures, sutures, dressings, bandages, rubber tubing, safety pins.

INSTRUMENTS FOR RECTAL OPERATIONS.

One rectal speculum.
 Two sharp scalpels.
 Six hæmostatic forceps.
 Six hæmorrhoid forceps.
 One long probe.
 Two curettes.
 One set rectal bougies.
 One saw.
 Two chisels, 1 needle holder.
Needles, small curved.
Other articles needed—
 One pair long stockings, legholder, one extra split towel, one Kelly's pad, one Paquelin's cautery, ligatures, sutures, perineal pads, T bandages.

(To be continued.)

The Colonial Nursing Association.

The annual meeting of the Colonial Nursing Association was held at Londonderry House, Park Lane, by permission of the Marquis and Marchioness of Londonderry, on Wednesday last. The President of the Association, Earl Grey, was in the chair, and in the course of his opening speech referred to the loss sustained by the death of Lord Loch, the late President. The adoption of the report was moved by the Earl of Onslow, and seconded by Sir Cuthbert Quilter. The motion was supported by Colonel Sir James Willcocks, who spoke of the valuable services rendered by the nurses on the Gold Coast, and in Ashanti, the Lady Balfour of Burleigh, President of the Scottish branch, and Mr. Winston Spencer Churchill, M.P. On being put to the meeting it was carried unanimously. The election of officers for the ensuing year was proposed by Sir Hubert Jerningham and also carried.

In the audience was Nursing Sister K. Nevill, who was, last December, mentioned in despatches for her services while connected with the West African Frontier Force, and has recently received the Royal Red Cross. It would have been pleasant to hear her tell something of her work in West Africa.

We are glad as each year comes round to find this Association acknowledging its debt to Mrs. Francis Piggott, to whom its foundation is due. Mrs. Piggott is now appointed Hon. Vice-President of the Association.

The usual votes of thanks brought the meeting to a close.

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ETHICS IN NURSING.*

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Unfortunately, too many people regard nursing as a mere occupation, not a profession, and such persons fail to recognise its ethical side, which should stand for the highest morals in human life. Nurses, like many other women, are prone to confuse points of etiquette with ethics, forgetting that these points, like good breeding, should be the "outward expression of the inward grace"; and still further we are apt to regard the religious orders of nursing as behind the times, instead of giving them credit for all that is best in modern trained nursing. Granting that they are sometimes lacking in technical skill, other qualities, such as order, system, and devotion to duty, are present in a much larger degree with them than with us, and have been for many centuries. Their huge hospitals and charitable institutions were notably well managed ages before trained nursing was thought of, and in no country was there ever the neglect, abuse, and overcrowding of the sick which obtained in England during the last and present century before Florence Nightingale went to Germany to learn from the Protestant sisters of Kaiserwerth how to remedy the evil.

For many years our courses of instruction were devoted almost wholly to technical lines, but gradually we have learned to recognize the necessity of something higher and better, until now all good schools of nursing begin the teaching of right conduct with the first day of duty, and end it with the course, when the alumnae societies must take it up.

A certain class of people profess to decry our extended theoretical teaching, but that extension would never have begun had there been no demand for it from the medical profession and the public. To a great extent this higher educational development brings a better spirit and better work, but through it all there should be for every step enlightenment on its ethical side. Quite as important as teaching the young nurse to give her first bath is guidance in the dignity of her demeanour, the self-respect which shall compel the respect of her patient, no matter how low down in the scale of humanity he may be, or how menial may be her service to him, and also that she is taught to realize that dignity, honesty, and purity of manner and speech are as essential with women as men patients;

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