

The Midwife.

Our Schools of Midwifery.

THE CLAPHAM MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

Since 1889 the Clapham Maternity Hospital has been doing good work in a two-fold direction, first in caring for a large clientèle of patients, and then in the training of medical students (in obstetrics), midwives, and monthly nurses.

The pupil monthly nurses live at the hospital, where a Matron, Miss Bertha Taylor, who is a fully trained nurse, and was formerly

this case is not less than three months. The students attend the in-patient cases in the hospital, and out-patient cases in the Clapham district, within a radius of one mile from Jeffreys Road. The number of district cases at Clapham last year was 258, and of confinement cases in the hospital 438.

There is also a centre of work in connection with the school at 31 and 33, Albert Bridge Road, Battersea. A fully trained nurse is in charge as Matron, and two medical women are resident there. They attend dis-



THE NURSERY AT THE CLAPHAM MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

Home Sister at the London Temperance Hospital, is in charge. The fees paid by the nurses are £7 7s. for two months, £10 10s. for three, or £12 12s. for four. Preference is given to those who have already had some training in medical and surgical nursing. Those who are not fully trained in general nursing *must* take a three months' course, and a four months' course is strongly recommended.

The Clapham obstetric students, whether doctors or midwives, live with Dr. Annie McCall, the Director of the School of Midwifery connected with the Hospital, at her private house, 165, Clapham Road. The course in

district cases only, and 698 confinement cases were attended last year in the Battersea district, 75 of whom were primipara.

The work at Battersea is a continuation of that of the St. John's House Maternity Home, which for ten years previously to 1892 maintained four adjoining houses as a maternity home and residence for pupils. At that date the in-patient work was discontinued, and the out-patient branch taken over by the Clapham School of Midwifery. The Battersea branch is connected with the hospital by telephone, and, whenever possible, the students are summoned to see instructive and abnormal cases there. They also attend lectures at the

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