«dian has not this expert knowledge, hence the friction.

At the Annual Meeting of the Dundee Sick Poor Nursing Association, the staff of which consists of a Queen's Superintendent, Miss Mackay, and nine nurses, the Directors, in their report acknowledged their indebtedness to Miss Mackay and the nurses for the high

place which the Society had taken in the community. It was undoubtedly by their singleness of purpose and devotion to duty that they had gained such golden opinions as were heard regarding them.

One of the obprincipal jects, and a most laudable of the Dundee Hospital for Women, is to provide the benefits of skilled surgical nursing hospital and treatment at a rate which, while covering the cost of current expenditure, is within the reach of those who are unable to pay the fees of private nursing homes, and are unwilling to accharity.

We are glad to learn, therefore, that the financial condition of the hospital is satisfactory, and that last year for the first time in ten years the income has exceeded the expenditure.

The Irish Trained Nurse is to be commended for its up-to-date professional spirit, and the leader in the present quarterly on "Apathy" is timely, and applies to nurses everywhere, not even excluding the United States. We cannot claim rights and privileges if we have not the courage and common sense to shoulder our public duties and responsibilities. As a great Edinburgh professor has wisely said, "Blame no one for the present condition of nursing disorganisation but yourselves. It is the appalling apathy of the average nurse which is to blame." All the same, the esprit

de corps over the Matrons' status question throughout the nursing world has been very wide awake and hopeful, thanks to the initiative of the Matrons' Council:

The French always see the humorous side of things, and the fact that more than one surgeon has been sued by patients for leaving instruments and dressings in the abdomen, has in stigated a farce which is being played at the Grand Guignol Theatre, where a famous surgeon is represented as re-operating on a dozen forpatients mer in order to find a probe which he has lost; and cannot remember in which



PATIENTS AND NURSE IN THE HOSPITAL, FOOCHOW.

patient's body he has left it. He ultimately finds it in the sugar bowl.

Our illustration on this page shows two patients in the C.M.S. hospital at Foo-chow, China, with a native nurse at the bedside. It will be seen the bed has a frame for a mosquito net, the net in the daytime being thrown up. Miss Baldwin, a Chelsea Infirmary Nurse, is working there.

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