

A.R.A., was the artist entrusted with the execution of the portrait, which was painted solely from photographs. 'The Bromhead Memorial Building' has been in active use since April last. It was erected, as stated in the circular issued by the Memorial Committee, to 'commemorate Mrs. Bromhead's benevolent work in creating, developing and administering "The Institution for Nurses," which has been established in Lincoln for the last twenty years; and it is universally acknowledged that this Institution has proved a very great help and blessing to many thousand persons of every rank and class, not only in the city and county of Lincoln, but throughout England.'

A CORRESPONDENT sends me a cutting from a report, I suppose, of a Criminal Court case, with the comment, "Would not legal Registration have saved all this trouble?" Of course it would, for the story is thus described:—"Alice Thomas, *alias* Emma Jones, a good-looking young woman, dressed in a garb similar to that worn by Hospital Nurses, was indicted for stealing a number of goods from different people, whom she had attended as a Trained Nurse. She had taken rooms in Belgravia, placed a door-plate with her name, and Certificated Nurse upon it, on her door, and somehow had obtained admission to many first-class houses in this capacity. The detectives stated that there were at least twenty more cases against her, and that one Doctor after another in the neighbourhood had found out that she was not a Nurse at all. She refused to give any information about herself, but the detectives had been to every Hospital in London, they stated, and no one recognised her photograph. She was convicted, and in passing sentence of twelve months' hard labour, the Judge commented on the great difficulty which apparently existed of knowing whether a woman was a Hospital Nurse or not, and said that the public seemed to be quite at the mercy of any unscrupulous woman like the prisoner." If a little more publicity were given to cases like these, which are constantly occurring, the public demand for Registration of Trained Nurses would rapidly become irresistible.

GREAT excitement and doubtless anxiety has been lately rife in several of the Nursing Schools, owing to "those terrible exams." I hear that at St. Bartholomew's some twenty-four Probationers have undergone the ordeal, either in the "Primary" or "Final." Miss Stevens has carried off the Gold Medal; Miss E. Cartwright, Miss Hoskier, and Miss S. Cartwright being placed second, third, and fourth on the list. Miss Silver, who has come out first in the primary examination, will be

awarded the usual prize of a standard work, which she is at liberty to choose. The Probationers at the Chelsea Infirmary have also, I learn, been under examination, and have acquitted themselves very satisfactorily.

PERHAPS the readers of the *Nursing Record* will be interested in knowing that Canada is keeping pace with other countries in the good work of training young women, who desire to be of use in the world, by tending intelligently the sick. A Training School for Nurses, in connection with the Toronto General Hospital, was established in 1881, and now numbers forty-five pupils, and is by far the largest and most prosperous Training School in the Dominion. The Hospital provides accommodation for about three hundred patients, affording the Nurses the advantage of a first-class practical training in Medical, Surgical, Obstetrical, Infectious, and Eye and Ear Wards. Lectures are also delivered each week by some of the most distinguished Medical men in Toronto, and by the Lady Superintendent of the School.

THE object of these lectures is to furnish the pupils with some knowledge of anatomy, physiology, hygiene, materia medica, and therapeutics, together with pathology, the symptoms and treatment of diseases, the care of surgical, medical, gynecological, and obstetrical patients, and how to act in emergencies. The pupils are required to pass two written examinations, one at the end of each year, the final test consisting of both a written and an oral examination.

AFTER completing a two years' course successfully the pupils are presented with a silver badge, and a diploma signed by the Officers of the Institution, and the examining board. The Nurses are then in a position to choose their own fields of labour, whether in Hospitals, private families, or public Institutions.

THE Nurses occupy a wing at the west end of the main building, built and furnished expressly for their use. It contains twenty-eight bedrooms, a handsome dining-room, and airy and pleasant sitting-rooms, with French windows opening out on a balcony, which commands a complete view of the beautiful grounds which surround the Hospital. An excellent piano is also provided, and a good medical and general library.

It is a satisfaction to those who are interested in the welfare of this school to know that it is a centre from which other Hospitals have drawn their Superintendents. At present seven Hospitals—

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