

## WOMEN AND THEIR WORK.

THE Empress Frederick paid a private visit to the Throat Hospital in Golden Square, on Friday afternoon, attended by Count Seckendorff and the ladies of her suite. Her Majesty was received by Sir Morell Mackenzie and Dr. Wolfenden and Mr. Hovell, who happened at the time to be engaged in work at the Hospital. The Empress spoke to nearly every in-patient, making particular inquiries not only as regards the patients themselves, but also with reference to their families. A little girl in the women's ward presented her Majesty with a pretty bouquet of violets and white lilac. The Empress showed her appreciation of the patients' feelings by going round the Wards with only Sir Morell Mackenzie and Miss Mackey (the Lady Superintendent) in attendance. On leaving the Hospital, her Majesty made the following entry in the visitors' book:—"Victoria, Empress Dowager Frederick of Germany and Queen of Prussia, visited this Hospital on Dec. 7, 1888, and was much pleased with all the arrangements for the care and comfort of the patients."

PRINCESS CHRISTIAN on Friday visited the Royal Female School of Art, in Queen Square, for the purpose of opening the new studio which has recently been added to the Institution. Her Royal Highness, who was attended by the Hon. Mrs. Stopford and Colonel Gordon, arrived at the school at noon, and was received by Miss Gann, the superintendent, and the members of the committee. On reaching the studio an address was read by Sir Emilius Laurie. The school, he said, was founded nearly fifty years ago, by the Government of the day, and had continued, during the first seventeen years of its existence, to receive financial assistance from the State. That support, however, had eventually been withdrawn, and the Institution had been carried on by Miss Gann. It was self-supporting so far as its ordinary expenses were concerned, and appeals to the public had only been made when it was found necessary to increase the accommodation for students. The recent additions to the building, which included the acquisition of an adjoining house and the erection of the new studio, had entailed a considerable expenditure, and an appeal was therefore being made for £3,000. The school was no longer an experiment, as many as 2,227 students having received their art education in it since 1860, a large majority of them having since become teachers. Princess Christian having formally declared the studio open, proceeded to inspect the annual exhibition of students' drawings, and was subsequently conducted to the life studio, where a numerous company had assembled. Here purses,

containing sums ranging from £5 to £70 were presented by the students, after which a vote of thanks was moved by Sir P. Cunliffe Owen, seconded by Prebendary Whittington, and carried. The Royal party soon afterwards left the building. The exhibition of students' drawings, which remained open on Saturday, contained some very excellent work. The winners of scholarships in the life competition are as follows:—Queen's Gold Medal, Miss Jeffreys; Queen's Scholarship, Miss Rowe; the Duchess of Westminster's Scholarship, Miss Horton; the Atkinson Scholarship, Miss Norris; and the Clothworkers' Scholarship, Miss Flack.

PRINCESS CHRISTIAN has consented to become patroness of the London Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children—an Association which is worthy of all praise—and should appeal to women *en masse*.

MRS. KEELEY was not forgotten on her eighty-fourth birthday by the little patients at the Hospital for Sick Children, at Great Ormond Street, for whom she recited so charmingly a few weeks ago. A deputation waited upon her at her house in Pelham Crescent, and presented her with a beautiful bouquet from them, and also a touching little letter.

## CORRESPONDENCE

(Notes, Queries, &amp;c.)

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\* \* British Nurses' Association.—We are requested to state that Miss Wood (Hon. Sec.) will be at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W., every Wednesday, from 10.30 a.m. to noon, and at 7, St. George's Mansions, Red Lion Square, W.C., on each Friday until noon, to see Nurses or others who may wish to make inquiries.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I should be glad to know whether you think it would be possible to publish from time to time in your valuable paper Nursing notes of cases. I feel convinced that many Nurses would be ready and willing to supply them. It would, of course, have to be clearly understood, that the notes sent must relate to the Nursing, and not to the scientific aspect of the case, and all accounts of pathological details should be strictly vetoed; but there are so many symptoms and points of interest in the various methods of treatment of disease, that come within the Nurse's province, that I am sure records of good cases taken from a Nurse's standpoint would be both interesting and profitable to your readers. Trusting you will give this suggestion your kind attention.—I remain, Sir, yours faithfully,

M. MOLLETT.

[We thank Miss Mollett for her kind and sensible suggestion. We had, however, somewhat anticipated

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