

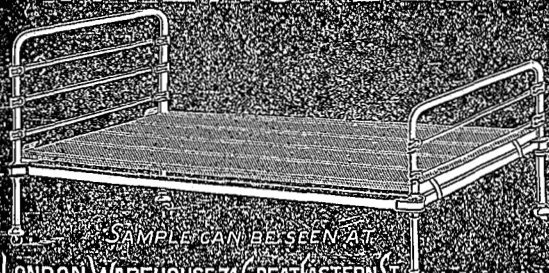
practical manner at the World's Fair; but after forming a sub-committee to organize the section, we came to the conclusion that we should require one-fourth of the whole Women's Building at Chicago if we were to do justice to our work. Our first plan was to divide the section into four branches—a section of Hospital ward, a home Hospital room, a section for general exhibits, and a Hospital diet kitchen. But the want of space was an insuperable obstacle to the fulfilment of this idea.

Owing to the great interest evinced by Mrs. Potter Palmer, the President of the Board of Lady Managers, a beautiful room, 40 ft. long by 20 ft. wide, has been set apart for the British Nursing Section. This room will be fitted with handsome carved oak and glass cases, lined with geranium cloth—24-ft. long, and divided into three sections, each 8-ft. long; on the shelves of these cases will be arranged the various exhibits and handiwork of Nurses. Every variety of Nursing appliances; bandages of every shape and description; every sort of surgical dressing at present in use; items of comfort for the sick, such as operation-gowns, and so forth. All appliances for the presentation of food in the most appetising manner. In a centre glass case, the uniform of sixty representative Hospital Nurses in miniature, on dolls seventeen inches high. The north wall will be decorated according to this sketch. A

beautiful picture of Her Majesty, as the Patron of the Jubilee Institute for Nurses, draped with the National Flag and Royal Arms, will be placed in the centre; portraits of Her Royal Highness Princess Christian, Mrs. Fry, Miss Nightingale, Miss Agnes Jones, Mrs. Wardroper, Sister Dora, and other celebrated Nurses, will be here arranged. An inlaid bookcase will contain a complete Nursing library, and articles of interest, such as some personal belongings of these great Nurses. On two inlaid pedestals will stand the busts of our President, the organiser of modern Nurses, and the bust of Rahere, the founder of St. Bartholomew's, our oldest and most famous Hospital and Nurse Training School. The south wall will be decorated with etchings of our leading Hospitals, and portraits of our most prominent Nurses. Miss Marsden's work will be illustrated in papier-maché models, showing the future leper colony in Yakoutsk, when complete. The badges and medals worn in the majority of our Nursing Institutions will be presented, with numberless other articles of interest to Nurses of all nations.

Such, in brief, is what the British Nursing Section will comprise in the first International Exhibition which has granted space for Nursing exhibits, and it will be the earnest desire, I am convinced, of all Nurses that it shall be worthy, not only of our profession, but also of our country.

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