

## Nursing Echoes.

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SOME interesting articles have been despatched during the last few days from Sandringham to the



Chicago Exhibition. The Princess of WALES sends a beautiful corner chair, in carved oak and cut cowhide. The oak carving is by the best pupils of the Sandringham Technical School, and the leather is cut by Her Royal Highness according to her own design. The chair is to be sold at Chicago for £100, and the money devoted to charitable purposes. Princess

VICTORIA OF WALES has forwarded a music-stool, with box-seat for books, constructed to her designs in carved oak by the same school, and has worked the cut-leather herself in single dahlias. This stool is also to be sold on behalf of her Royal Highness's charities. Princess MAUD OF WALES has also sent a similar stool, without the box-seat, and has herself wrought the cut-leather in sunflowers. All the work of their Royal Highnesses has their names carved into the leather, and bears the stamp of the Technical School. Miss NÖDEL, the superintendent, sends a cut-leather blotter in oak frame (the leather enamelled in gold lacquer over silver-leaf), according to her own designs.

THE Prince and Princess of WALES have consented, at the request of the Duke of FIFE, to open the new wards recently added to the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, Bloomsbury, of which the Duke is president. The opening ceremony will take place in June.

THE Duchess of PORTLAND has become a patroness of the Hostel of St. Luke, for the nursing of poor clergy, and the Bishops of CHESTER, BATH, and WELLS have given their names as vice-presidents.

THE change of Matron at Guy's Hospital has been very quietly accomplished. Miss VICTORIA JONES has resigned, and Miss FLORENCE NOTT-BOWER has been appointed Matron.

THE departure of Miss VICTORIA JONES will be sincerely regretted by all her colleagues—for it is universally acknowledged that she has performed

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the arduous duties connected with her post, in the most conscientious and devoted manner, and the post of Matron at Guy's Hospital is known to be no sinecure—comparing it with that of other hospitals of its size and standing—it is the most laborious and worst paid post in London.

MISS JONES came from Leicester with Miss BURT, and, as a Sister, lived through the years of turmoil subsequent upon the re-organisation of the Nursing department of Guy's Hospital, gaining for herself, by her quiet devotion to duty, the respect and admiration of the authorities, so that, upon the retirement of Miss BURT, she was promoted to fill her post.

THE new Matron, Miss NOTT-BOWER, was trained at Guy's—working there from 1882 to 1888—when, for a few months, she acted as the matron of the Huddersfield Infirmary. Since then, to the present date, Miss NOTT-BOWER has acted as Lady Superintendent of Guy's Hospital Trained Nurses' Institution, in St. Thomas Street, so that her whole nursing interest is centred in this fine old Hospital, founded by Thomas Guy in a by-gone century. Knowing as she does so intimately the duties and needs of her future subordinates, she will doubtless sympathise with their difficulties, and it is not likely that we shall read again of Guy's Nurses like Oliver Twist "asking for more." It is to be hoped that their just demands have already received consideration, and that they are about to obtain a just participation in their earnings.

THE Marchioness of LONDONDERRY has now extended to the district of Rainton her efforts for helping the spread of professional sick Nursing. At a meeting in the schoolroom at West Rainton, the chairman, Mr. CORBETT, announced that Lord and Lady LONDONDERRY had offered an annual subscription of £25, and also to provide a furnished house for the Nurse. The announcement was received with much applause. Representatives of the Miners' Union asked for copies of the rules of sick Nursing schemes in order that they might study the matter before proceeding further with the organisation of the Rainton branch.

I ONLY hope that the Nurse will be paid an adequate salary, as I often see district Nurses advertised for—a salary of £40 or £50 being offered whereby to provide themselves with board, lodging, washing, uniform, and remuneration. Imagine the lofty scorn of "Jeames" and "Arriet," were we to propose for their acceptance this economical method

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