

£5,000 to enable them to open the New Building free of debt, The Worshipful Company of Skinners have sent a donation of £25, and the Worshipful Company of Leathersellers £100.

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AMONG those who have given their patronage to an Exhibition of English and Continental Pictures, which is to be opened on June 25th by the Duke and Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, at the Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours, Piccadilly, on behalf of the building fund of the Dental Hospital of London, are the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke and Duchess of Teck, Princess Edward of Saxe-Weimar, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Duke of Norfolk, the Duke of Northumberland, the Duchess of Rutland, the Duchess of Buccleuch, the Duchess of Abercorn, the Marquis of Lorne, the Marquis of Tweeddale, and the Marquis and Marchioness of Granby. Mrs. W. Knowsley Sibley is the Hon. Secretary, 7, Upper Brook Street, from whom tickets can be obtained.

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WITH the sanction and approval of Lady CLARK, a biography of the late Sir ANDREW CLARK is in course of preparation, to which an introduction is promised by Mr. GLADSTONE. Those who may possess letters or other communications from the late physician would confer a great favour if they would lend the same with a view to publication. Documents should be sent to Lady CLARK, Camfield, Essendon, Herts, who will immediately copy and return them.

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THE ceremony of opening the new British Home for Incurables at Streatham, by the Princess of WALES, has been unavoidably postponed from July 2nd to July 3rd, at 4 o'clock.

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PRINCESS CHRISTIAN will open a sale of work which, with the permission of the Dean of Westminster, is to be held in the Jerusalem Chamber, Westminster Abbey, on July 12th, in aid of Church work in South London. Princess CHRISTIAN has also consented to open a floral bazaar at the Camden Road Athenæum, on the 27th inst., in aid of All Saints' Church, Tufnell Park.

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PRINCESS BEATRICE presented the certificates to the Deeside centre of the St. John's Ambulance Association, in the Memorial Hall, Ballater, on the 12th inst.

## Nursing in the Wilds.

WE cull the following instructive report of a meeting of a Devonshire Board of Guardians from the *The Observer and Chronicle*; it throws a strange light upon the management of the Nursing of our sick paupers in Workhouses; and we are glad to observe that the Nurses selected in this case protested against the inefficiency of the arrangements for the Nursing of the inmates. Are there no women in Newton Abbot—after the late gruesome exposures in the Workhouse—sufficiently humane and sufficiently courageous to offer themselves as Guardians of the Poor?

“Newton Abbot has attained considerable notoriety lately by the evidence which has been adduced during the inquiry relative to what has been termed ‘The Workhouse Scandals.’ We gave a summary of that evidence in our edition last week. The following extract from a report of the last meeting of the Board of Guardians for Newton Abbot will doubtless be read with interest. The recent official inquiry, it will be also remembered, related to allegations concerning the treatment of inmates in the Workhouse. Our quotation is from an ordinary meeting of the Board:—

Six Nurses had been invited to attend the board meeting, three being applicants for the post of Head Nurse, and three for that of Assistant Nurse. Their names were—Miss M. Kift, Cleobury Mortimer Union; Miss K. Denton, Edgbaston; Miss E. A. Sanders, Medway Union (Head Nurses); Misses A. E. J. Thompson, Deptford; E. M. Wrench, Stroud; and C. Hughes, Brondesbury. The board proceeded to have the applicants before them, one at a time. After Miss Kift had left the room,

Mr. Vicary asked if she was properly qualified?

The Chairman: Yes.

Mr. Vicary: I don't think so.

The Chairman: That will do. I think she is the best candidate of the lot (uproar).

Dr. Ley protested. He had never heard anything so monstrous in his life.

Mr. Tripe asked the Chairman to do things in a proper way; and the Chairman retorted that he was not going to be interrupted. Then he commenced to proceed to the election.

Dr. Ley rose.

The Chairman: You have no right to speak.

Mr. Snow: You have no right to speak after the remark you made.

Mr. Smerdon: Behave yourselves like men.

The Chairman: The behaviour of Mr. Snow is perfectly rascally. (Disorder, and ‘What about yours?’)

Mr. Ley: It is disgraceful. (Uproar, in the midst of which a member shouted to the Chairman ‘Keep your hair on.’)

The election eventually was proceeded with, the result being—Sanders 41 votes, Denton 8, Kift 1 (the Chairman alone voting for her).

Miss Sanders was then called in, and the Chairman informed her that she had been appointed.

Miss Sanders: I have been round the house, and two Nurses could not conscientiously do the work there is to be done here.

The Chairman: Do you decline the office?

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