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THE relations of Nurses to the public and to the Nursing Profession presents various aspects which are of the greatest importance to everyone concerned. Nominally, training schools are attached to public hospitals; nominally, public hospitals are built and supported by the benevolent for the benefit of the sick poor. And it is recognised to be for the public advantage that the clinical advantages of such institutions should be used in order to prepare students, both of Medicine and of Nursing, to perform their duties to the community as skilled professional workers. Such being the case, it might reasonably be expected to follow that the training of Nurses would be conducted with scrupulous regard to the benefit, not only of the sick in the wards of the Institution and of the Nurses, but also of the richer classes of the public, who may hereafter require the services of these women. Unfortunately, however, there is but little room to doubt that these interests instead of being scrupulously regarded as identical, are considered by some Committees of Management to be diverse, if not indeed antagonistic. We fear it cannot be denied that the great majority of Hospital Committees look upon the Nurses partly as means whereby the revenue of the Hospital can be increased; only partly as workers who are essential to the proper movement of the Institutional machine. If the interests either of the Hospital or of the patients become paramount, the interests of the Nursing Staff are apt to be more or less entirely overlooked in the regulations

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