£5,000; to the British Home for Iucurables, Clapham, £5,000; to the Universal Beneficent Society, Soho Square, £10,000; to the National Lifeboat Institution, £10,000; to the Royal Cambridge Asylum for Soldiers' Widows, £40,000; and to the Foreign Anglican Church and Educational Association, £5,000, to form an endowment fund for the emolument of the chaplain for the time being of the Victoria Church, Rue des Bassins, of Paris. She also bequeaths to the Assistance Publique, Paris, £10,000, and to the Société "Hospitalité de Nuit," Paris, £10,000.

We have received the Annual Report of the Essex and Colchester General Hospital. We notice that the Committee "received with regret" the resignation of Miss Brough, who has held the position of matron

£10,000, on condition that the £50,000 already asked for shall be first raised, the object being to increase the endowment fund of the scheme.

It has been arranged in Rome to appeal to all the English in that city to unite in commemorating the 6oth year of Queen Victoria's reign by means of a subscription in favour of the Prince of Wales's Hospital Fund. The British Ambassador has consented to the subscriptions being placed under his patronage, and has undertaken to transmit the sum collected to the Prince of Wales.

Lady Pirbright has contributed £20 towards the building of a new room in the Protestant Hospital at Nice for the use of British patients, to be called "Queen Victoria's Ward," in commemoration of the



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for nearly seven years. The Medical Board state that "her devoted services in the wards, her aid in the operating theatre, her readiness to fill any gap required, her nursing skill, and her good influence over the nurses and probationers, call forth their warmest appreciation."

Mr. Mackenzie, of Fawley Court, has promised to the British Orphan Asylum, Slough, a contribution of £1,000 on condition that a special effort be made, in commemoration of the year, to raise, in addition to the amount required for current expenditure, a substantial sum, such as £20,000, to strengthen the reserve fund; and with this object in view the Earl of Jersey has promised to preside at the anniversary festival at the Hotel Metropole, on May 7th.

Mr. Henry Overton Wills has given to the Bristol fund for the erection of a convalescent home in commemoration of the Queen's long reign the sum of

Diamond Jubilee. Lady Pirbright has also joined the committee.

A strong movement has been set on foot in Melbourne to found a fever hospital in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The proprietors of the *Melbourne Argus* have subscribed £1,000.

The School Board at Woodend, Victoria, has elected one of its lady members to be its "chairman." The gentleman who proposed the lady's election spoke of the wide antagonism shown to women stepping into the arena of social progress, but said he believed that when the welfare and education of the rising generation were at stake, women could not stray far from their proper sphere. He was convinced the lady he named was well able to carry out the functions of this office. We congratulate this gentleman upon his liberal views.

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