

Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, the good work of the Institute has been actively progressing, and as we recently recorded, the services of Miss Jane Wade, the Superintendent of the Scottish Branch, have received public recognition by the bestowal upon her of the gold badge of the Institute. It is well to draw attention to the fact, sometimes forgotten, that the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute was founded upon the initiative of a woman, by the offerings of women, and as a memorial to a Queen amongst women, Victoria the Good.

THE COLONIAL NURSING ASSOCIATION

The Colonial Nursing Association has this year held its first annual meeting. It is stated that considerable progress has been made in the work undertaken by the Association, which is proved by the fact that it is now the recognized source to which the Colonial Office turns to supply nurses to Crown Colonies.

NURSING THE PLAGUE.

WE must now draw attention to the special works which have been undertaken by nurses

during the past year. Ever since September, 1896, the minds of many persons had been impressed with the need of the despatch of a contingent of trained nurses to Bombay to nurse the sufferers from the plague which was

known to be raging. It was not, however, until January 30th of the past year that an article appeared in the *British Medical Journal* by Mr. James Cantlie, speaking of the imperative need of a liberal supply of doctors and nurses if the lives of the plague-stricken were to be saved. Three weeks elapsed after the publication of this article, but still no steps were taken to despatch nurses until after a letter which we addressed to the *Morning Post* had appeared. The need for additional nurses in Bombay having thus been brought before the



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public, the India Office with admirable promptitude, due greatly to the energy of Dr. Roe Hooper, selected twelve fully qualified nurses for plague duty, and it was with feelings of the deepest thankfulness that we saw this brave band of workers steam out of Tilbury Dock on February 12th. A small and inadequate staff, perhaps, but still a token

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