

Dr. Strong then proceeded to give some valuable and timely advice to the members of the class as to the course they should pursue in their occupation, and dwelt particularly upon the necessity of tact and of loyalty to the patient and attending physician.

## UNVARYING DEVOTION.

Father Southworth also addressed the students. From the experience gained during his visits to the hospital, he bore testimony to the abiding and unvarying devotion of the students to their duties, to the kindness with which they treated patients, and the courtesy they extended to all who had anything to do with the wards.

"Coming from the old country some years ago," he went on, "where male nurses are rare, I did not know that the duties of a nurse could be so well discharged as they are by men. The close attention to detail in the sick room, to which Dr. Strong has alluded, is something which one looks for in a woman rather than a man. But from experience and observation in this hospital I know that men can be as kind and as gentle, patient and consoling to those around them as a woman, to whom these qualities belong by nature. Therefore I feel a great interest in this training-school, and in its value, it proves that this country is leading the old countries, it shows that we are opening up new ground and practically demonstrating what men are capable of. It is noble to find some of these young men, with their careers before them, volunteering right away to go into danger for the sake of assuaging the sufferings of their fellow-men who may be wounded in war."

Dr. Fowler, on behalf of the managers, paid a high tribute to Mrs. Willard for her efficient services as superintendent of the school, and the exercises were closed with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Lindsay.

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**Sketches.**

## ANGELS UNAWARES.

Young Person, politely, to hospital beadle—  
"Will you please direct me to Mary Ward?"  
Hospital Beadle, nodding casually to right—  
"Foller yer noze."

Young Person, tartly—"I'm not a hound."  
Beadle guffaws.

*Three months later.*

New Matron, politely, to hospital beadle—"Will you please direct me to Mary Ward?"

Hospital Beadle, with much *empressement*—  
"Certainly, Matrum, foller me."

New Matron, slyly—"Why not my nose."  
Beadle does not guffaw.

## THE RETORT COURTEOUS.

Nurse to Matron—"Please, matron, may Jones and I have late passes to-morrow, we want to do a play?"

Matron—"You may, *nurse*. I don't know the other fellow."

**Nursing Echoes.**

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THE garden parties in honour of the Dublin Hospital Nurses, given by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, and the Countess Cadogan, in the Vice-regal Lodge grounds last week, were a great success. Their Excellencies received their guests, on the terrace fronting the entrance to the Vice-regal Lodge. The guests included a large number of the lady-superintendents, nurses, and medical officers of Hospitals; the President of the College of Surgeons and Lady Thomson; and other ladies and gentlemen were also present. At the close of the entertainments each of the nurses present was presented by the Countess Cadogan with a beautiful bouquet of flowers, and most successful days were brought to a delightful conclusion.

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WE have received a cheque for £5 5s. od., an annual subscription, from Mr. Charles Baily, of Brighton, and three shillings from nurses through Mrs. McIntyre, for the Sir Julian Goldsmid Home of Rest for Nurses, at Brighton, for which we express many thanks.

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A scheme for starting a School Nurses' Society, to provide visiting nurses for elementary schools in poor districts in London, is likely to become a reality before very long. Miss Honnor Morten, a new member of the London School Board, is the originator of the scheme.

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THE nurses of the Workhouse Infirmery Nursing Association spent a most enjoyable evening on Thursday, 19th inst., when upon the kind invitation of the Hon. Mrs. R. Talbot they met for their annual gathering at 58, Lower Grosvenor Street. The badges and premiums were presented by the Lady Wantage, after which Miss Amy Hughes, in a spirited and interesting address, gave the nurses much useful advice. The solid part of the programme having been gone through, the nurses and visitors adjourned to another room, where an excellent selection of vocal and instrumental music was exceptionally well rendered. Perhaps only those who habitually live in a workhouse, where all the surroundings are necessarily cheap and commonplace, can appreciate to the full the

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