

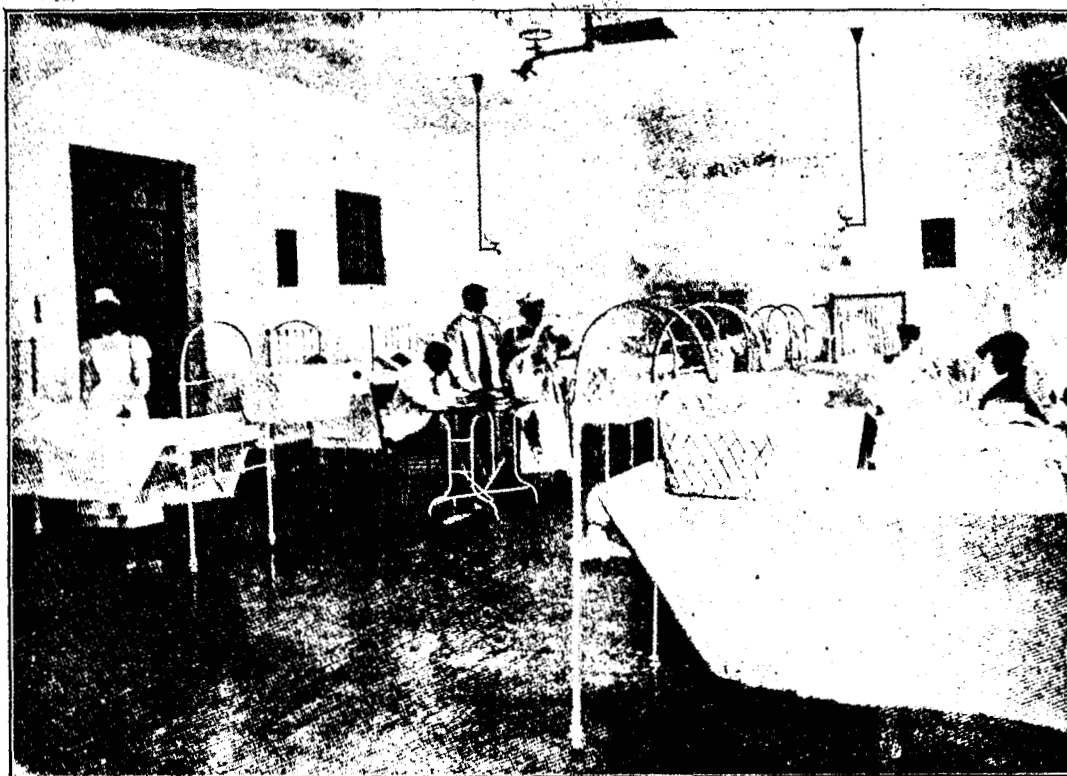
necessity to enter or continue in the school.

"The course of study and practical experience provided is intended to make this branch of the work equal to that of the best modern hospital."

The syllabus of lectures given during the year shows that the standard of theoretical instruction is a high one, and that pupils who successfully pass through it should be able to take their place side by side with graduates educated in modern training schools. We hope, and believe, that the nursing world will hold out the right hand of fellowship to all fully qualified colored nurses,

a line as to preen themselves on the superiority of white blood over black.

The Medical Board report that "the nurses have been found to be intelligent, conscientious, and diligent." The pictures which we publish will go far to convince all but the most prejudiced that colored nurses can be as personally neat, and can keep their wards as trim and dainty, as any of their white Sisters. The Maternity Ward, indeed, can give to us, in this country, distinct "points." In which of our maternity hospitals should we find the little cots slung at the feet of the beds which are depicted in this one?



COLORED HOME AND HOSPITAL, NEW YORK CITY.  
MATERNITY WARD.

and that the only tests imposed in admitting to its professional association will be of a professional nature. It would scarcely have seemed necessary to make this remark, but we write with the memory upon us that, even in the enlightened West, at the recent convention of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, it was possible for a duly appointed delegate to be disqualified by the President solely on account of her color. Nursing is essentially a democratic and levelling profession, the educational test being the only one imposed, and we cannot believe that nursing associations would take so narrow and intolerant

Do we not invariably find the infant sleeping in the same bed as its mother—a custom unadvisable for the mother, and unsafe, as well as unhealthy, for the child?

We welcome the entry of colored nurses in the United States into the ranks of our noble profession. Is it possible that the barriers of prejudice, which have for so long separated black and white, will at length be broken down as skilled women of both colors stand side by side in the hospital ward, united by the mutual bond of service of the sick and suffering, and by the common aspirations of the same profession?

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