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IT has been a keen pleasure to us since we undertook the responsibility of editing this Journal in 1893 to find that its policy, and indeed the principles upon which we have invariably endeavoured to help to organise nurses, are those which, without exception, have appealed to British nurses beyond the seas. We have always held that the nursing profession claims and needs all the powers and talents which educated, thoughtful, and highly-cultured women can bring to its service, and that, with its manifold responsibilities, it can never be a suitable calling for the ignorant and illiterate. We hold further that those women who successfully and creditably pass through their period of training should be granted a registrable diploma of nursing by the State. With these views, there is abundant proof that Greater Britain is in sympathy. In New Zealand a Bill has already been passed enforcing the State Registration of Trained Nurses, and the same holds good of Cape Colony. Failing a forward policy on the part of the heads of the leading training schools in this

country, Canada, whose superintendents and nurses hold liberal and progressive views, has affiliated on professional matters with the United States, and the Superintendents of these two great countries meet annually in conference, while Australia is in keen sympathy with the onward movement of our profession.

Nursing in many parts of that continent has attained to a high state of proficiency, and the leaders of nursing thought, are already considering the organisation and consolidation of the profession as a whole.

It is well that, failing the co-operation of the majority of Matrons at home, the Colonies have produced leaders of their own who have worked devotedly and successfully for the welfare of their profession. Thus Sister Henrietta in Cape Colony, Miss McGahey in Australia, Mrs. Neill in New Zealand, and Miss Milne in Tasmania, have been whole-hearted in their efforts for the public good, and the nursing profession in the future in these countries will owe much to their unselfish labours. We have, therefore, felt it due to our colleagues to consider the expressed opinion that the time has come when the NURSING RECORD should represent in its title its relation to Greater

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