

or uttered a syllable since he left the out-patients' department.

In a week's time the surgeon amputated his leg; the hospital was still in its early days of organisation and I had not arranged for regular night duty, so I made up a couch in my sitting-room, which was next to my bedroom, and for a whole week I carried the little fellow every night to my room so that I could look after him. One night he amused me immensely by calling out, "Oh! lady, are you asleep?" I jumped up and asked him what he wanted. "Oh! nothing; only I couldn't sleep, and I thought if you were awake we might while away a few pleasant hours!" During the day he would send me messages, through the nurses, "that his mouth was dry and his soul was yearning for some fruit," or that the cook had made a mistake and had sent in a dish not suitable for sick people.

Unquestionably he was a little tyrant, but his sufferings and his fortitude and manliness appealed to me. One day I heard a terrible noise in his ward; the nurse came to me looking very frightened, saying that the Moslem and Christian patients were fighting and insulting each other. On investigating the cause, I found that my little man was the root of the evil. He had cursed the religion of a Moslem patient, who had retaliated with interest. Our Saviour and the blessed Virgin having been blasphemed, the Christian patients were furious, and threw chairs and various articles at the Moslem ones, and *vice versa*, and it is difficult to tell where the thing would have ended had I not come in. But there was the little fellow, white with rage, having thrown every available article near his bed at his opponent. I went up to him and said to him, "How did you dare?" But, looking me straight in the face, he said: "Was I to let him curse my religion and say nothing?"

"Who cursed first?" I asked.

"I did," he said, looking very crestfallen.

"Then be a man and beg his pardon."

He did so at once, and peace was soon restored.

I always liked the Moslem patients; they were, perhaps, inclined to be arrogant at first, but on being spoken to kindly and put on their honour they were loyal and nice to a degree, and very grateful.

On the whole, I had no difficulty in maintaining discipline; but one day the gardener was insolent to me. I discharged him on the spot, but he refused to go. I sent the porter for a couple of policemen, and, explaining the matter to them, told them to take him away. I shall never forget the sight. They wore ragged clothes, no socks, and turn-down slippers. They proceeded to push and slap him alternately all along the road until they got to the police-station, stopping every now and then to explain to the neighbours and people who called out from the balconies to ask what was the matter.

In about two years my work of organisation was done, and, as I expected, I was obliged to go to England, and on my return did not resume my post.

One of the orphans who was brought up in the Prussian Orphanage, and who has had a long experience of fifteen years in the Prussian hospital here and in some British hospitals in Jerusalem and Tiberias, is acting as head nurse at present, the hospital being managed by the Committee.

I have been glad to see whenever I have visited the hospital that my rules and regulations are regarded as those of the Medes and Persians.

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