

Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association.

Her Excellency the Countess of Minto presided at a meeting of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association, held at Government House, Calcutta, on January 29th, when an interesting note was furnished by Mrs. Davies, Chief Lady Superintendent, on the general working of the Association, showing that progress has been most satisfactory. A Lady Superintendent has been appointed to Eastern Bengal and Assam, to control the increasing work in that province; the Rajputana Branch

there is every prospect of its extension. The illustrations of the Sisters' Quarters in the different provinces are charming. The one we print here shows those at Naini Tal. We only wish space would permit of our depicting many more.

THE HON. SECRETARY.

The report of the Hon. Secretary, Surgeon Lieut.-Col. W. R. Crooke-Lawless, C.I.E., briefly reviews the origin of the Association. The urgent demand for some association to supply trained nurses for India first led to the formation of a committee, of which for two years the late Lady Curzon acted as President. Ultimately, a central committee



Sisters' Quarters, Naini Tal.

will open this month with an establishment of two nurses; the Burma Branch is already at work with four nurses, stationed at Rangoon, while later on two will be placed at Maymyo; and it is hoped that a small centre may be established in Kashmir for the summer months. A satisfactory financial statement was presented by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Ker, and the report of the Association for its first year of working was presented and approved by the committee.

THE REPORT.

The report—a most attractive and interesting document—shows that the Association has taken vigorous root in many parts of India, and

was formed with the Countess of Minto as President, amalgamating the Punjab and Up-Country Nursing Associations in a new and wider association. An appeal for funds met with most generous support in India and a fair amount at home, and 3½ lakhs of rupees were invested for the endowment in the first year. The Government of India also promised an annual grant in aid, and a scheme enabling both rich and poor to benefit by a sliding scale of fees, according to subscription, was published. The experience of Mrs. Davies, the Chief Lady Superintendent, appointed in January, 1907, has, the report states, been invaluable. "She has worked indefatigably,

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