

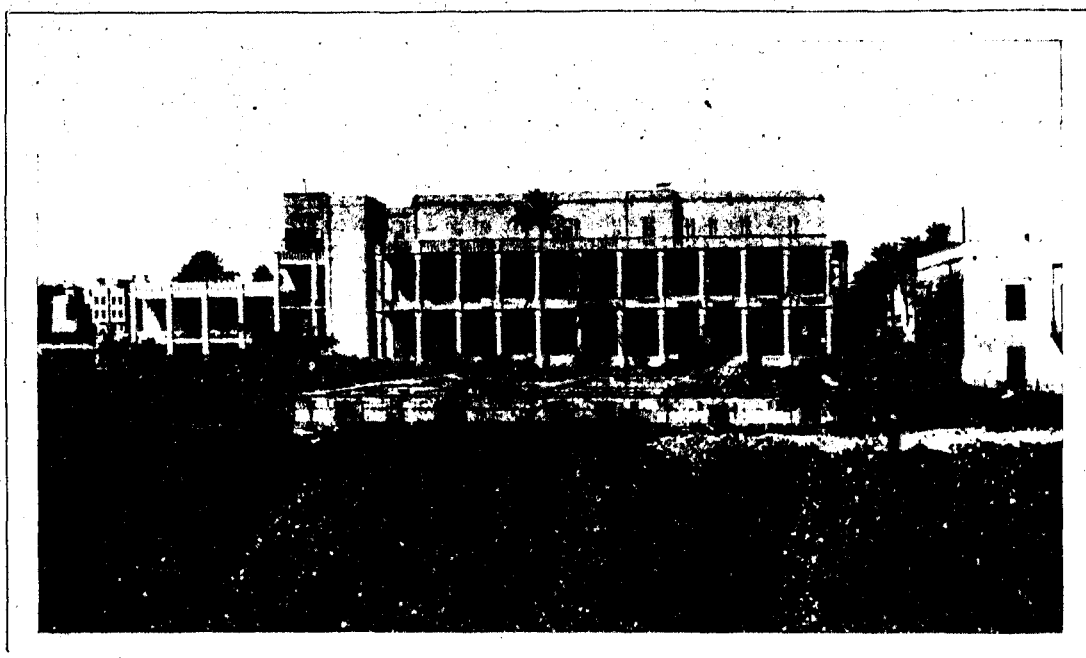
Sister in charge, being an Irish girl trained in America. Indeed, the hospital might be called cosmopolitan, for at present America, Holland, England, Scotland, and Ireland are all represented on its nursing staff!

The great difficulty here, as in all Egyptian hospitals, is that nurses are so hard to obtain owing to the fact that private nurses are in great demand, many getting as much as £1 per day up country. Some little distance from the main building is a small isolation block, and to the east of the hospital proper is the administrative block, staffed with native male servants. Beyond this, connected with it by a short path over-arched with grape and loofah vines, is the little bakery, where

of work which must tell on future generations. Already the women are being granted more liberty, and the girls attending the schools have largely adopted European dress, and walk about with uncovered faces. Most of these girls can speak both English and French, many of them faultlessly. Not long ago we heard a young Egyptian say they were feeling, as a country, the need of "home life," and that Egypt would never again take her former place at the forefront of the nations until her women were "educated, honoured, and respected." A sentiment with which we heartily agreed!

Yours faithfully,

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The American Mission Hospital, Assiout, Upper Egypt.

all the hospital bread is made. There is also a laundry in the grounds where the "washermen" work daily—women, even if one can find them, being very unsatisfactory. Another detached building is used as the out-patients' department.

All classes and all creeds are nursed here, and the natives make good use of the place, which is by them greatly appreciated. Indeed, the people come in from the outlying villages in numbers.

Besides the above, Assiout can also boast of a Government Hospital (though on a much smaller scale). This has recently been staffed with four French nuns, the doctors are, I believe, Syrians.

Still, the town is undoubtedly an American Colony! As well as the hospital, they have large girls' schools; accommodating about two hundred pupils, and the Assiout College, with its almost eight hundred scholars was founded, and is carried on by them. Surely this is a practical piece

KAI TIAKI.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome the latest professional nursing journal, *Kai Tiaiki*, the Journal of the Nurses of New Zealand, which promises to maintain a very high standard of excellence. The title of the paper is taken from the language of the native race of the Islands, and means, "The Watcher"—"The Guardian." The outlook of the new paper is a wide one, and through its agency New Zealand nurses hope to keep in touch with "the movements of our Sisters in that larger world across the sea." As is fitting, the Journal records the indebtedness of New Zealand nurses to Mrs. Grace Neill, and below an excellent portrait of her it is recorded that her "name will ever live in the memory of New Zealand nurses, for whom she was largely instrumental in obtaining State Registration." *Kai Tiaiki* has our heartiest good wishes for its success.

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