

consider the hospital a necessity; if we cannot use it, we shall say the hospital is not necessary. In either case we shall be saved the expense of building.

Dr. B.: If you decide on Dead Man's Rock I resign. I am not going to make myself look foolish or risk my life on the goat tracks on the cliffs.

Mr. Green: Well, doctor, we shall have to wait for a landslide or blow part of the cliffs down to make a road for your motor. I think it a most desirable spot. The germs would be blown away by the fresh sea breezes, and when we have no fever cases it might be used as an open-air hospital for consumptives.

Chairman: Gentlemen, gentlemen; order, please! Let us—

Rev. Porker: There will be great difficulty in getting furniture to the place, unless we could lower it by ropes from the cliffs above, and there are so many things wanted in a hospital nowadays.

Mr. Brown: Yes, I have heard that we should even have to supply toothbrushes to each patient.

Mr. Green: What extravagance! One brush for the men, and one for the women, would be ample. We never have more than one in use at a time in our house.

Mr. Williams: Ought we to spend money in this way on a hospital which might never be actually used? I think we should wait until there are some infectious diseases before we burden the poor ratepayers any further. I hope the Press will take a note of what I have said.

The Chairman: I am sorry to inform you, ladies and gentlemen, that this room is needed in a minute or two for a Naval Defence meeting. We shall have to defer this discussion to another evening. I hope that you will all remain and support the demand for a large and efficient Navy. We must have safety, even if it costs a thousand millions.

Mr. Williams: Hear, hear.

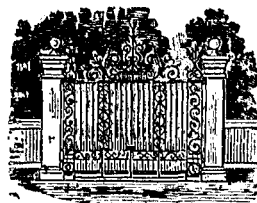
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(Extract from local paper:—"It is rather a coincidence that on Tuesday night, only a few hours after the Pottle Council had been considering its suitability as an Isolation Hospital, the old look-out station on Dead Man's Rock was wrecked by the gale, and all the woodwork carried out to sea.")

The United Provinces Branch of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association is one of the largest and most important centres. The provinces of Agra and Oudh have a population of nearly 50 millions, and cover some 100,000 square miles.

Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



The Women's Suffrage Societies, during the past week, have been engaged in endeavouring to establish the legal right, under the Bill of Rights, of a deputation, consisting of not more than ten persons, to pre-

sent petitions to Members of Parliament. The question is now *sub judice*.

Miss M. W. Dunlop, an artist, who was recently sentenced to one month's imprisonment on the charge of wilfully damaging the stonework of St. Stephen's Hall, Westminster, has been discharged from Holloway Prison. It is understood that she refused to take food for 91 hours.

Mrs. Sidney Webb had a rousing ovation at the annual Degree Day ceremony by the Manchester University, when she was presented by Professor Alexander, Dean of the Faculty of Arts, with the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters.

In the customary eulogium, Prof. Alexander spoke of Mrs. Sidney Webb's eminent services to trade unionism and social science, her marked ability and valued qualities as a writer, and the conspicuous part she had played in drawing up the Minority Report of the Royal Commission on the Poor Laws.

Marchesa Pellicano, an Italian lady who recently attended the International Congress of Women's Suffrage Societies in London, has been lecturing on her recent experiences. She spoke warmly of the value of the work done for women's suffrage by Mrs. Fawcett, and expressed the hope that Italian women may soon obtain the same legal rights as their sisters in some other countries. It is a significant sign of the times that a Parliamentary Committee is at present sitting to consider the question, and that Signor Giotilli has received a deputation which laid before him the claim of women to the suffrage.

The Council of Bedford College, York Place, W., was founded in 1849, is the oldest University College for Women, and has a splendid record of 60 years' work to its credit. It has now outgrown its present quarters in York Place, and the Council have been fortunate in securing the lease of some Crown property in Regent's Park, which is an ideal site for a women's college, as, although close to Baker Street, it includes eight and a-half acres of beautiful gardens, and a private boat-house on the lake. All that is needed now is the money—so hard to obtain where women's education is concerned—and the work of building can be begun. £80,000 is required, and a strong appeal is made to the women of England to endow this college for women, as in times past they have endowed colleges for men, and so send out into the world women well equipped for taking their part in modern life.

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