

nurses at the hospital and her illness is greatly regretted. During her administration Miss Ross has done excellent work, both in the school and hospital.

A most splendid new hospital has been built at Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and was opened recently with great expressions of satisfaction. Another good training school for nurses will thus be available, so necessary with the increased population in the Province.

A Calcutta correspondent, writing from the Professional Nurses' Club, in that city, says:—
 "It has only been in existence a few months, and is already recognised as a great help to medical men and nurses alike. The Hon. Superintendent and Treasurer, who is a trained nurse, and an ex-Matron of the Eden Hospital, does everything in her power to make the nurses comfortable, and never turns a nurse away, no matter how full the club is, and often puts a new comer into her own room till there is a vacancy and the nurse has been able to secure suitable accommodation, so that any nurse arriving in Calcutta can always be sure of a welcome at the club. As it is on the telephone, the doctors are glad to avail themselves of it to the full, and Mrs. Moore, the Secretary, has as much or more than she can do to comply with their requests. She has compiled a list of nurses, and as there are outside subscribers as well as resident ones, and Mrs. Moore keeps in touch with them all, you can tell how far-reaching her sphere of usefulness is. She is certainly the right person in the right place."

The question as to whether district nurses through their work among the poor are decreasing the free work at hospitals is, says the *International Hospital Record*, a debatable one. There is probably no question that a percentage of those cared for by these nurses would be applicants for hospital aid were it not for the treatments administered at their own homes, and to this extent free work at the hospitals is diminished. On the other hand, charity cases are being sent to the hospitals by the nurses who otherwise might not go, so there are two sides to the question.

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THE HOSPITAL FOR INVALID GENTLEWOMEN.

The Hospital for Invalid Gentlewomen, until recently located at 90, Harley Street, W., must always have a unique interest, inasmuch as Miss Florence Nightingale, O.M., was its Superintendent for two years, and went out from it to take up her national work in the Crimea. Founded in Chandos Street in 1850, and afterwards removed to Harley Street, it has done good work there until the falling in of the lease compelled the Committee to seek other quarters, with the result that it was found necessary to build, and a convenient site was secured in Lisson Grove.

On Monday the new hospital, which, thanks to an anonymous donor of £5,000, is free of debt, was opened by H.R.H. the Princess of Wales, who was received by the President, Earl Waldegrave, the Lady President, Mrs. William Bridgeman, the Chairman of the Building Committee, Mr. William Bridgeman, M.P., and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Hugh Parker. The Lady Superintendent, Miss Houghton, was also presented to the Princess.

Her Royal Highness, who was wearing a royal purple gown and coat, a black toque, and handsome furs, was presented by Master Maurice Bridgeman, who wore a suit of blue satin and lace, with a beautiful bouquet of roses, tied with salmon pink ribbon. The President briefly explained the objects of the hospital, and prayers were said by the chaplain, the Rev. C. E. Harris, Her Royal Highness then announcing the opening of the building in the following words:—

"I declare this building open in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

At the conclusion of the opening ceremony, Her Royal Highness inspected the wards, which are sunny, bright, and comfortably furnished. It is testimony to the gratitude of patients who have been nursed in the hospital, that one of the private wards has been entirely furnished by them; very bright it looked, with its white Lawson Tait bedstead, dimity quilt, comfortable chair, and green and white crockery. All the crockery for the patients' use is green and white, both in the wards and that on which their meals are served, and the white lockers have green tiled tops.

The floors are laid with a composition material, the basis of which is sawdust and asbestos. When polished, they are of a pleasant brown colour, and by the side of each bed is a strip of green carpet. The walls are coloured in a soft shade of grey.

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