

NEWS FROM INDIA.

THE NURSES' MEMORIAL TO FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.

We have much pleasure in publishing a picture of the bust which is to form the memorial of the nurses of India to Miss Florence Nightingale. It will be remembered that a Committee of nurses was formed in October of last year with Miss Pritchard, Lady Superintendent of the Bengal Branch of Lady Minto's Nursing Service, as Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. Moore, of the Calcutta Trained Nurses' Association, as Hon. Treasurer. The nurses have decided that their memorial shall take the form of a copy, in bronze, of the marble bust by Sir John Steell, given to Miss Nightingale after the Crimean War. A copy of this has now been ordered, with the permission of the Trustees, and experts are of the opinion that it will appear even finer in bronze than in marble. All the necessary arrangements are being made by Mrs. Stephen (Miss Nightingale's niece), and her brother, Dr. Shore Nightingale; and Mr. Percy Brown, of the Calcutta Art School, is advising as to the pedestal, which will be made in India. It is expected that the bust will be completed and sent out to India by the end of the year. The bust has been accepted by His Excellency the President and the Trustees of the Victoria Memorial Hall in Calcutta, and until the completion of the Hall will probably be placed in the Museum with the Memorial Hall collection. Arrangements for its suitable unveiling are

under consideration. We congratulate the nurses of India on organising so appropriate and beautiful a memorial to the great foundress of modern nursing.

NURSING IN CALCUTTA [HOSPITALS.

Colonel G. F. A. Harris, I.M.S., Inspector-

General of Civil Hospitals in Bengal, in his report submitted to the Government, states that in connection with the system of nursing [in the Calcutta hospitals, apart from the revision of the rules with the object of defining more clearly the position of the administrative heads of these institutions, additional pecuniary assistance was given to the Calcutta Hospital Nurses' Institution. The Clewer Sisters, who had rendered long and honourable service at the Medical College, withdrew from that hospital, the control of the nursing at which had grown beyond their powers, and they are now working in the Presidency General Hospital only.



MISS FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, O.M.
Memorial of the Nurses of India.

it might well be hoped that more substantial assistance would be forthcoming from the Indian public in the form of subscriptions towards the Calcutta Hospital Nurses' Institution, the funds of which are inadequate to meet the calls upon them. At present there are various urgent demands for the employment of more nurses, which it is impossible to meet.

In the opinion of the Lieutenant - Governor in Council ample justice has been done from Provincial revenues towards the needs of the Calcutta hospitals during the last six years, in recognition of which

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