

at the Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin, on Tuesday, May 21st.

Miss Sutherland, Superintendent of a Private Hospital, Miss Beswick, of the Seacliffe Mental Hospital, and Miss Mandino, Sub-Matron of the Auckland Hospital, New Zealand, are now in this country, and are interested in investigating nursing conditions. They hope to visit many of our hospitals.

We hear that Miss K. Mackenzie, who was selected in this country, and was appointed Matron and Superintendent of Nursing of the Dunedin and Allied Hospitals last year, is winning golden opinions as a Superintendent of a fine type and strong character, and is pronounced to be the right woman in the right place. Miss Mackenzie's colleagues at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, will be glad to learn that her services are so much appreciated at the antipodes.

COMFORTABLE CLOTHING.

It is of great importance to both the robust and the delicate that they should wear next the skin clothing which is at once elastic and porous. A number of people have grown up in the belief that they are not adequately clothed unless they are clad in woollen garments, but there are many who cannot stand the irritation of woollen clothing, especially in a hot climate, where it is apt to become sodden and matted. We believe that the old-fashioned preference for woollen clothing, especially in summer, will be banished, once and for all, by those who have once worn Dr. Lahmann's Reform Cottonwool Underclothing, which can be obtained in many attractive varieties of texture and colour. Both in ladies' combinations, nightdresses, vests, bodices, and knicker-skirts, in infants' and children's garments, and in men's and boys' shirts and pyjamas, every variety, to suit all tastes, is offered. The clothing is supplied both wholesale and retail at 245, High Holborn, London, W.C., and merits the attention of all who desire to be comfortably and hygienically clothed. Nurses should inspect these delightful materials and give them a trial.

It is claimed for Dr. Lahmann's Cottonwool Underclothing that it is as warm in winter as animal wool, and cooler in summer, without the skin-paralysing excitation inherent to all animal wool, or the loss of porosity by shrinkage peculiar to it.

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

THE HOME FOR CONSUMPTIVE CHILDREN, CROOKHAM.

Brilliant sunshine tempered by fresh breezes; typical June weather, though according to the almanac April; Royalty, gracious and smiling; bright, happy faces inside the house and out, banished almost all thought of pain and sorrow. Yet there was an undercurrent of sadness in the remembrance of the cause for which so many persons were assembled at the recent opening of the Church Army Children's Sanatorium at Crookham, Fleet, Hants. It was a declaration of war against a cruel disease whose victims make the death-roll of the "Titanic" infinitesimal by comparison.

The Church Army Children's Home was declared open by H.R.H. the Duchess of Albany in a tent erected in the grounds adjoining the Home. The Rev. Preb. Carlile conducted the proceedings, which commenced with prayer, offered by the Bishop of Winchester, who also made a speech. Miss Walker, Hon. Secretary of the Church Army Fresh-Air and Dispensary Department, who originated the idea of the Home, and collected the necessary funds, in an interesting speech informed her audience how the idea came to her of starting the Home for children in the early stages of consumption. She told a pathetic story of a poor family in London, which consisted of a father and mother, two boys, and three girls. She described the beauty of the little girls, and the anguish of the mother, who saw them, one after another, fall victims to the dread disease of consumption, and how she came to her and said: "Can't you do *anything* to help them? Must I lose them all?" Other mothers appealed to her to send their children, suffering from the same complaint, to the Church Army Fresh-Air Homes, but she was unable to grant their request, for she said that to do so would mean the infection of others, and that would not be right. So she thought what a good thing it would be if there could be a special Home for consumptive children. A suitable house was found, and she collected the necessary funds for its purchase and furniture, with the exception of £60. Miss Walker would like to raise £10,000 to endow the Home. At least £400 per annum is necessary for its maintenance; £5 is sufficient to equip a cot; £25 would pay for a bed for one year; and £600 would endow a bed in perpetuity.

Dr. Barty King remarked that in Germany there were a good many sanatoria for con-

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