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Three of the Sisters of the United Provinces Branch have been on the sick list during the past year. Miss Shearer and Miss Lucas have been transferred to the Baluchistan Branch, and their places filled by Miss Conway-Gordon from Quetta, and Miss Loden from the Punjab Branch.

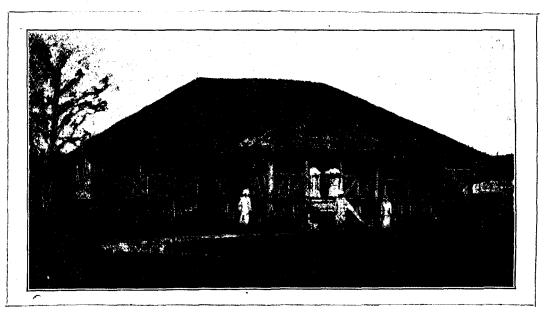
During the year two of the Sisters, Miss Kearney and Miss Shearer, nursed the late Begum of Rampur, the Nawab later expressing his full appreciation of their services.

Miss Wason, Lady Superintendent of the United Provinces Branch, is proceeding on European leave this year. During the three years in which she has acted as Lady Superinof the Court of Wards in this Province, to express my appreciation of their conduct."

Miss Pritchard, Lady Superintendent of the Bengal Branch, who is coming to Europe on leave in March next, has been cordially recommended for re-appointment on her return for a further period of five years.

## THE HOME COMMITTEE.

Lady Helen Munro-Ferguson, who has so ably filled the office of President since the inauguration of the Association, resigned that post on the return of the Countess of Minto from India, but will continue to serve as a member of the committee.



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tendent of this Branch Mrs. Davies records that she has devoted herself heart and soul to the cause of the Nursing Association, and done her utmost to promote its interests in the face of many difficulties.

In the Eastern Bengal and Assam Branch six new Sisters have been appointed to fill vacancies caused by resignation on account of transfer or completion of service. The Branch has sustained a great loss through the sudden death of Nursing Sister Barrett, whose place will not be easily filled.

Miss Breed and Miss Webb, of the Bengal Branch, have been specially commended by the Hon. Mr. Macpherson for their care of a violent mental case, an Indian lady in high position. He writes : "I hear the highest accounts of their courage, tact, and humanity in dealing with this case, and desire, as Officer-in-Charge

In regard to opportunities for trained nurses in China, the American Consul in Shanghai says the field offered to members of this pro-fession in China is limited to the foreign population, and the situation in Shanghai is typical of that of the whole country. In China, girls, mostly English, enter the Victoria Nurses' Home and take courses in nursing there, while the Shanghai General Hospital nurses are practically all French nuns. Among the Chinese the missionaries, in a majority of cases, oversee the native hospitals and look after the sick. Frankly speaking, adds the Consul, the outlook for a nurse is not a bright one, " and unless she has a contract for two or three years, entered into before she leaves for China, it would be inadvisable for her to entertain any idea of coming to China to practise her profession.'



