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the sick, we have no hesitation in saying that any girl who hopes to train as a "hospital nurse" anywhere but in a public hospital, will find herself grievously deluded.

And how about the patients who pay for trained nursing?

At the quarterly meeting of the Council of the Scottish Branch of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, the report on the past three months' work was submitted. It showed that the Council were directly responsible for eight Queen's nurses and twenty probationers receiving instruction in the Training Home. Six nurses had completed their training. Five nurses had received first appointments under the local Committees at Kilchoman, Galashiels, Greenock, Perth, and Turriff. Seventysix visits of inspection had been paid and reports thereon submitted to the Executive Committee. The cases nursed in Edinburgh from the Training Home during the quarter numbered 1,457; visits paid, 30,080; cases remaining on books, 505. The resignation of Miss Cowper, Superintendent-General for Scotland, was received with great regret, the Council recognising the very valuable work and devoted service she had rendered during many years. Miss Cowper will be succeeded by Miss Peterkin, who was recently appointed Superintendent in Ireland.

We must own to considerable sympathy both with Nurse Hogan, the permanent nurse working under the Tullamore Board of Guardians, who objected to the temporary nurses employed in the fever hospital sleeping in her apartments, and also with Nurse Craig, who left the hospital, and, when leaving, stated that she had nowhere to rest after her night's work. As she could not rest she was unable to do her duty conscientiously. The Master told the Guardians that he understood the temporary fever hospital nurse always occupied Nurse Hogan's room in the daytime. There were two beds in it. Nurse Hogan stated that she objected to the nurse occupying her room because she did things she had no right to do in her absence. She considered it very necessary to provide a room for the night nurse. It was very unpleasant, and the nurse could not rest properly nor could the The Board room be ventilated properly. ordered Nurse Hogan not to lock her door on the night nurse. Such treatment is incredible. The management of the Guardians is as inconsiderate as it is disgusting.

Is there no Medical Officer of Health in the district?

A letter has been received at International Headquarters from Miss Maclean, the President of the Trained Nurses' Association of New Zealand, expressing her gratification and thanks for the kindness shown to the New Zealand delegates from their colleagues at home and in Germany, in which she says :--- '' I have written to Miss Dock, on behalf of the New Zealand nurses, to acknowledge her letter about our affiliation. I think it most kind of the nurses from the Old World to welcome this little country so cordially. Our nurses will very surely be proud and glad to belong to this great international organization." Miss Maclean adds that she is looking forward to meeting Miss Orr, who has been elected Matron of the Auckland Hospital.

Miss Orr sails on the "Athenic" from Tilbury Dock on the 16th inst., and will arrive at Auckland in the first week of the New Year. Warm good wishes for success and happiness in her new sphere of work go with her from the old country, and evidently a kind welcome awaits her in New Zealand, where her aim will be to prove her loyalty to the best interests of a profession to which she is devoted.

Miss Jessie Grant, who is leaving for India to superintend the Nursing Department of the hospital of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission Hospital at Lucknow, having formerly worked at Patna, writes: "I have arranged not to lose one number of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING on account of journeying. They will be waiting for me at Lucknow.

"For years in India I have had the journal, and I feel greatly indebted to it for having kept me so up-to-date in all the leading questions of reform and progress that I was not hopelessly behind the times when I got home. And the natural sequence is that, with this foundation, and similar influences since, I go back to India a keen suffragist and wearing the badge of the W.S.P.U."

We are always much encouraged by letters which prove that our readers appreciate and understand the principles which inspire this professional journal.

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