

Holloway Road, for the purpose of receiving the collections made by the members of the League of the Roses and presenting the badges to the collectors. The collections handed to the Princess amounted in the aggregate to £521 1s. 11d. (the central division heading the list with £196 12s.). At the conclusion of the ceremony Her Highness inspected three of the wards. Tea was served in the matron's sitting-room.

The Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, has received a cheque for £745 17s. 5d. from Lady Mildred Allsopp as the proceeds of the recent concert at Grosvenor House.

### NEW SCHOOL OF NURSING AT MILAN.

We are indebted to Mme. R. Perez, of Pavia, for the welcome news that a new School of Nursing has recently been started in Milan. The Scuola Infermiere "Principessa Jolanda" is attached to a private hospital, and Mme. Perez writes: "I am much indebted for the organization both of the school and hospital to the matrons of English hospitals, and am also very grateful to THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, of which I am a constant reader, for the perfect knowledge that it has given me of so many points of view of the nursing question.

"I know that our efforts will meet with your sympathy and encouragement, and am very sorry that, owing to the organization of this professional school in Milan and a class which I hold daily in my husband's wards in Pavia, I shall not be able to go to the Congress at Cologne, where I should have had the invaluable chance of meeting so many women working for the same ideals.

"The difficulties of combining a nursing school with our hospitals have determined us to organize, according to the English system, a small hospital of 40 beds. The probationers, to be under the supervision of English Sisters, will be trained for two years, and in their third year will work in a number of reformed wards in the civil hospitals, where the system must be complete and where the administration will be separate from the rest of the hospital, by which means only will it be possible to demonstrate the immense benefit for patients and doctors of the trained nurse."

We are pleased to learn from Mme. Perez that although she cannot be with us at Cologne, she will send a report of her very valuable work to the Congress. Italy will be well represented, as Miss Baxter, Matron of the Ospedale Gesù e Maria at Naples, and Miss Dorothy Snell and a contingent of nurses from the Scuola Convitto, Regina Elena, at Rome, are to be present.

## OUTSIDE THE GATES.

### WOMAN FOUNDS FIRST SCHOOL OF EUGENICS.

The following article, contributed by Miss Agnes E. Ryan to the *Woman's Journal*, Boston, U.S.A., is so important and so interesting that we print it *in extenso*.

"There's a new hope astir in the nation. Fear and despair in regard to some of the fundamental aspects of life will give place to the new School of Eugenics that is just launched, and significant quickening will follow. The preliminary announcement is published this week. The School of Eugenics opens this autumn. Its founder and director is Dr. Evangeline Wilson Young, of Boston. Its purpose is to meet three pressing and growing needs in every community, and to this end it will be divided into three departments. The first will consist of courses of lectures and instruction to meet the needs of (a) mothers who find themselves unable properly to instruct their children in the facts of sex; (b) teachers who are unable to meet the school-room problems constantly arising which involve moral questions; and (c) all social workers who, in their work with either young people or adults, need to understand more specifically the problems which centre about sex.

"The second department will be a normal course, extending from October to March. This department is planned for the purpose of giving suitable training to those who wish to equip themselves to give instruction in sex education. A staff of specialists, who are dealing at first-hand with social problems of this kind, has been secured to act as instructors and lecturers. During the year opportunity will be given to hear several of the leading speakers of the country on the subject of race regeneration.

"The third department of the new school will deal with extension work throughout New England. This work will be carried on by the faculty of the school, who will give lectures on all phases of eugenics before clubs and schools and various organisations.

"So far as we know, this is the first School of Eugenics in this country. There are many indications that the time is ripe for such a school. In New York, Massachusetts, and a few other States, the demand for speakers on eugenics has greatly exceeded the supply. At the Congress of Charities and Corrections, at Cleveland, June 7th-19th, no less than twelve hours were given to this subject. Addresses were made by clergymen, teachers, physicians and social workers. Recently the American Federation for Sex Hygiene met at Atlantic City, and discussed the subject very thoroughly. There is now scarcely a conference on educational or social work that does not give a prominent place on the program to eugenics, while three years ago the word sex was not tolerated on such programs. A lecture on the subject was given recently at the Conference of Rural Social Workers, in connection with the Agricultural

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