

have developed. When she returns to Africa in a few weeks Miss Williams hopes to go to Kennema, some 180 miles inland from Sierra Leone, where a dispensary has been carried on by another English nurse with an untrained helper. In the district the chief is a Mohammedan woman who has absolute control over her subjects, and has very wide influence.

The majority of the sailing members who were present were bound for India. Miss I. Cole (trained at the Mildmay Mission Hospital) told that she was going to Nasik, where a new hospital has recently been built, in which there are ten Indian girls as nurses, but at present no English

spoke from nineteen years' experience in Bangalore. The hospital was opened in 1895, with beds for twenty-five women, but has now been enlarged to accommodate seventy. The staff consists of two doctors and a Nursing Superintendent, sixteen Indian probationers, and a dispenser. The Indian girls are well worth training, but they need much patience; as, for example, when, after some little quarrel, they refuse to eat their food. All kinds of cases are brought as patients—surgical, medical, gynæcological, maternity—and the opportunities for helping and for winning affection are very great. Neither Dr. Lillingston nor the Rev. K. W. S. Kennedy, M.B., B.Ch. of Chota Nagpur,



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nurse. Miss Bischoff (trained in Germany) goes to Patpara, where there is a hospital which takes some eighty patients, and there are also two orphanages and a Leper Asylum. Miss M. Coulthurst (St. Bartholomew's Hospital) and Miss Simmonds (Prince of Wales Hospital, Tottenham) are bound for Delhi and Multan respectively, while Miss Kenwick (London Homœopathic Hospital) goes to private work in connection with the Union Medical College at Peking, and Miss Lloyd (St. Bartholomew's Hospital) goes to Cairo.

Work in India was also described by Miss A. G. Lillingston, L.R.C.P. & S.Ed., who

slurred over the difficulties of a missionary nurse's life. Some things which sound small can be very trying. Mosquitoes, with the malaria which follows in their train; food which sometimes consists of continual chickens; language study which makes you smile at having ever thought French or German difficult; desperate homesickness; sometimes not congenial surroundings; the fact that the people may at first seem so stupid and so dirty—all these things must be faced by the missionary. And yet it was not these things that were given the main emphasis. One after another of the speakers during the day emphasised

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