

### BEAUTIFUL HOMES FOR NURSES.

One of the most famous hospitals in the United States of America is the Bellevue Hospital, New York City, the mother of training schools in that country. It developed from a small poorhouse supported by the Church, and a little hospital built by the West India Company in 1658, when, as the "History of Nursing" relates, the village of New Amsterdam numbered only 1,000 inhabitants. In 1680 the old hospital was sold and a better building provided, and later the Church funds for the poor were increased by an addition from the City Fathers. Still later (in 1736) a new building was fitted up to serve as a Public Workhouse and House of Correction in New York, which had an infirmary of six beds. This building was the "immediate ancestor of Bellevue," the nucleus of the first Bellevue Hospital being purchased by the city with some haste in 1794 on account of a threatened epidemic of yellow fever. The estate, which was very beautiful, was named by the owners Bellevue.

From these modest beginnings arose the great Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, with the fine group of training schools for nurses at Bellevue, Harlem, Fordham, and Gouverneur Hospitals, each with its own Superintendent of Nurses, and with Miss Clara D. Noyes, R.N., as General Superintendent of Training Schools, who is responsible to the Board of Managers (appointed by the Mayor of the City of New York) for the efficient conduct of her office, the Managers in their turn being responsible to the trustees.

The Nurses' Residence at Bellevue is an imposing building externally, and internally it is arranged with great consideration for the comfort of the nurses. The picture on this page represents a Nurse's Room in this fine Residence, from which it will be gathered that the Board have given great consideration to

the welfare of the nursing staff, and that the Residence is not only convenient, but beautiful in its arrangements and appointments.

#### OSBORN HALL.

Our second picture represents the Reception Hall at Osborn Hall, which was built as a memorial to Mrs. William H. Osborn, one of the founders of the school, and presented to the members of its Alumnae Association, an Asso-



A NURSE'S ROOM, NURSES' RESIDENCE,  
BELLEVUE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, NEW YORK.

ciation which corresponds in America to a Nurses' League in this country. It will be realized from this illustration that the Alumnae Association is most fortunate in the possession of this beautiful home, which is a delightful centre for the scattered members of the school, who are thus able to foregather under their own roof, and discuss matters of common interest.

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