

which fed, clothed, and ministered to body and soul.

"Who to-day associates spiritual activity with Westminster?" Who indeed?

"The Parliament House, heedless of the lessons at its doors, busy making laws to bolster up privilege and hedge around poverty, is the only (or principal) thing one thinks of when one thinks of Westminster." Now that the London Sick Asylum Leagues belong to "Westminster," the members will read this informing article with relish. Miss A. E. Schuller, editor, and Miss Pearce, the sub-editor, are to be congratulated upon the production of the *League Journal*. It is marvellous what a lot of literary talent is hidden away in our ranks.

#### DISTRICT NURSING.

The Northern District Nursing Superintendents of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses had a great civic welcome, and well they deserve it, when they gathered in annual Conference at Bolton last week. Commencing at noon, the Mayor (Alderman J. T. Brooks) held a reception of delegates in the Mayor's Dining Room at the Town Hall, and there was an excellent attendance. After receiving the superintendents individually, Alderman Brooks extended hearty welcome to all. He said he highly appreciated the work they accomplished, and the wonderful strides their profession and also that of the medical faculty had made. He heartily commended each one for the task they had undertaken, and he wished them every success in the various duties they had to perform. He was well aware that the nurses in Bolton were doing a splendid work.

The Rev. Canon Chapman endorsed the Mayor's words of welcome. He said there was no body of workers that Boltonians appreciated more than the nurses, whom they felt were doing so beautiful and beneficial work all over the land. They felt they owed the greatest possible debt of gratitude to those who with

so much devotion, skill, and earnestness, did what, after all, was one of the most important of all works, the work of helping to alleviate the sufferings of men and women.

Miss Gillie (Secretary to the Northern Association) gave a *résumé* of the Association's work and progress. The Conference had met in Bolton once before, in 1905, but on that occasion they had not the advantage of having the civic head to welcome them. Their work in its highest ideals was their main theme.

Owing to illness, Miss Walker, the Bolton superintendent, was absent, and the meeting conveyed its sympathy to her, at the same time thanking her for her work. She had, however, prepared a report of the local association, which was read by the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A. The report showed much good work done during the existence of the association.

After various votes of thanks, the delegates were conveyed in special cars to the Baths Assembly Rooms, where luncheon was partaken of at the invitation of the Bolton Committee. Then followed the business conference in these Assembly Rooms, at which many topics of importance to nurses were down for discussion, the proceedings closing with tea.

At the annual meeting of the Peter Brough District Nursing Association, Paisley, it was reported that Miss Peter-

kin, the Superintendent for Scotland, had inspected the nurses at work, and expressed satisfaction with what was being done. Mrs. George Coats had handed to the Superintendent £10, to be spent in giving country outings to the nurses. A very happy treaty.

#### FROM OVER SEAS.

Sister Agnes Karll, President of the German Nurses' Association, who is attending the Quinquennial Meeting of the International Council of Women, to take place at Rome in May, will be the guest of Miss Dorothy Snell, at the Scuola Convitto Regina Elena. Miss Snell



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