

The Creed of St. Thomas.

A CORRESPONDENT sends us the following Petition, to which signatures have been widely sought, but, so far as we can learn, with somewhat limited results. Another Petition, in exactly similar terms, but apparently emanating from "the Matrons, Lady Superintendents, and Principal Assistants of the London and Provincial Hospitals and Nurse-Training Schools, and of Ladies directly connected with Nursing and the Training of Nurses for the Sick," has also been widely circulated. We comment upon this document in another column.

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IN COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION of the undersigned Executive Officers of the London and Provincial Hospitals and Nurse-Training Schools, and of Members of the Medical Profession directly interested in the Advancement of the Training of Nurses for the Sick—

Sheweth as follows:—

1. Your Petitioners have carefully considered the Draft of the Charter of Incorporation of the Royal British Nurses' Association (hereinafter called "the Draft Charter") for the grant whereof a Petition from Her Royal Highness Helena Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, Princess of Great Britain and Ireland, has been presented to your Majesty in Council.

2. The Draft Charter states the purposes for which the Corporation is sought to be established to be the following, that is to say:—

"(1.) The maintenance of a list or Register of Nurses, showing as to each Nurse registered, her name and address, and the name of the Hospitals or other places at which she has been trained, and the length of training which she has received.

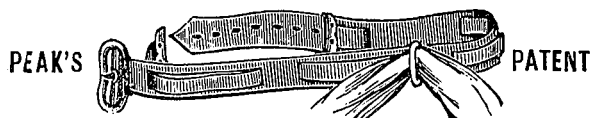
"(2.) The founding and maintenance of schemes for the benefit of Nurses in the practice of their profession, and in times of adversity, sickness, and old age.

"(3.) The promotion of conferences, public meetings, and lectures, in connection with the general work of the Corporation.

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