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IN our consideration of the management of King's College Hospital, we now arrive at the statements made in the Reports with regard to the Nursing Department. These furnish considerable material for reflection; and as evidence of the manner in which the Committee formerly regarded, and now regard, their Nurses, they are most significant. Apparently in 1888, a Private Nursing Department was started, and in the Report for that year (pp. 10 and 11), the following paragraphs occur: "The arrangements for Private Nursing have been gradually coming into force during the year, and the result is that a total sum of £323 10s. has been received in fees for the services of Nurses in private houses. As the Private Nursing Staff is developed, the fees from this source will increase, and the Committee consequently hope that the actual cost of the Nursing Department of the Hospital may be further very considerably diminished." In plain language, the Committee hoped that sweating their Private Nurses would prove a highly remunerative business. We come to 1889, and in the Report for that year we find the best acknowledgments of the Committee offered to the Sister-Matron for the successful development of the Private Nursing work, or, in fact, for a considerable increase of the receipts under this head. Then comes this proud statement, at which, after the foregoing, no one can

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