

Nursing Echoes.

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HER Royal Highness Princess CHRISTIAN seems, as usual, to be devoting her whole time to good works, and one cannot help wondering what would happen in this country if this truly noble woman was unable to take the lead, as she now always does, in performing the innumerable duties which fall to the lot of the Royal Family.

QUITE recently Her Royal Highness opened a new Home for Trained Nurses at Windsor, in connection with her District Nurses' Fund. The ceremony was most interesting, and the house charmingly decorated for this important occasion. Miss SIMPSON, the Lady Superintendent, was presented with a beautiful gold badge, and the five Nurses received badges in silver. The jewels were prettily arranged, the design of each consisting of the monogram "H.C." (HELENA, CHRISTIAN), surrounded by a broad garter, bearing the inscription, "H.R.H. Princess CHRISTIAN'S Trained Nurses," and surmounted by a crown.

ON Thursday the 10th the Princess came to London, and presided at the Ladies' Committee for Women's Work (which was held at 79, Harley Street), in connection with the World's Columbian Exposition, at which the chairwomen of the various sub-committees presented reports. Mrs. BEDFORD FENWICK, who has just returned from America, as the delegate of this committee, read a report of the arrangements she had made. No Nurse will be surprised to hear that she has proved herself an excellent ambassadress, and that she has been able to make most satisfactory arrangements, both with regard to space for the British Women's Section and the housing of delegates, and has accomplished the matter upon which her heart was set—the arrangement for the first International Nursing Congress to be held in Chicago in May, 1893. Mrs. FLOWER, the President of the Illinois Training School, has undertaken to organise the Congress, and has already requested Miss ISABEL HAMPTON, Superintendent of Nurses at the John Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, to act as Chairwoman for America, and the same honour has been paid to

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Mrs. BEDFORD FENWICK in connection with the part to be taken by Great Britain. It is hoped that this country will contribute eight papers, and that the writers will visit Chicago and read their own contributions in Congress.

Mrs. BEDFORD FENWICK has most kindly sent us a copy of the Nursing portion of her report, and I am glad to quote the following paragraph in it, hearing, as one does, growls loud and deep concerning the McKinley Tariff:—"In presenting my report to this Committee, I desire to preface it by stating that, as the delegate of the Women's Committee in connection with the British Royal Commission, I was received in America, and especially in Chicago, with every token of goodwill and kindness, being entertained throughout as a most honoured guest, and receiving from officials and citizens the most gracious courtesy and consideration.

Mrs. BOND, *née* CRISP, formerly one of her Majesty's Nursing Sisters, now the wife of a physician in Chicago, has been appointed by the Ladies' Committee, Custodian of the British Women's Section in the Women's Building at the World's Fair. The experience of practical work, which all Nurses receive during their training in a good hospital, will be invaluable for this responsible position.

I AM told that on Tuesday last Princess CHRISTIAN came to town and took the chair at a meeting of the Brighton Nurses' Home of Rest Committee at 4 p.m., held at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, when the Hon. Sec. presented a very satisfactory report. A vote of thanks was passed to the Matron, Mrs. MCINTYRE, for her able management and devotion to duty at the Home, and, as a practical proof of the Committee's appreciation of her invaluable services, it was unanimously resolved that the salary attached to her office should be substantially increased. The large number of Nurses who have written to me concerning the kindness and courtesy Mrs. MCINTYRE shows to her visitors, will be very glad to hear that the managing body have thus also expressed its satisfaction.

AT 5 p.m. Princess CHRISTIAN took the chair at a meeting of the Special Committee for Cholera Nursing, which was held at the same address, when various important details were discussed and decided upon.

It will interest many of my readers to hear that Miss COUCH, the well-known and greatly respected Sister of Mellish Wards, in the London Hospital, for the past twelve years, has resigned her position

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