

Baltimore, 807 St. Paul Street, December 3 1920,

Dear Mrs. Cullen,

I consider the endowment of training schools for nurses one of the most urgent needs of the present day not only for the better education of nurses for the sick but also <sup>to meet</sup> the crying need for the training of public health nurses, in which our hospital training schools must play an important part. Modern medicine and public health will suffer greatly unless such endowment be supplied.

Our training school at the Johns Hopkins Hospital should take the lead in making every effort to secure adequate endowment to meet these pressing, modern needs. Surely no school is in position to make a stronger appeal for generous support by such endowment than the Johns Hopkins Training School for Nurses. It cannot retain its leading position without such aid.

It is amazing that the need of the school for endowment should have remained so long without adequate recognition and its claims so long without more than the most meagre response from the public. The time is not far distant when the unendowed training school for nurses will be as much of an anomaly as the unendowed medical school, and as little capable of meeting its responsibilities to its pupils, the medical and sanitary professions and the public.

I am glad of the opportunity which your letter affords me to express my heartiest sympathy and support for the efforts of your committee and to wish you all success,

Very sincerely yours,  
William H. Welch,

Mrs. Thomas S. Cullen,  
20 East Eager Street,  
Baltimore.