

tion expressed by the young officers when they returned to duty or removed to the convalescent homes.

The establishment of the Daughters of the Empire Club for Canadian nurses was the result of the efforts of the Order in behalf of another branch of the overseas service. A large number of nurses went to England from Canada during the four years of the war, and more than once it was suggested that there ought to be a club in London for these young women, who were practically strangers in a strange land, a large percentage of the nurses being Canadian-born. Once again the I.O.D.E. stepped into the breach and raised sufficient money by an appeal to the primary chapters to finance the undertaking. Their liberality enabled the Committee of Management to instal the club in spacious and desirable quarters at 95 Lancaster Gate, formerly the town house of Lady Minto, which she kindly agreed to rent for the purpose. As Lady Minto was associated with Canadians for so long while Lord Minto was Governor General, the use of her house for the nurses from the Dominion seemed especially appropriate. The club contained drawing rooms, library, reading and dining rooms, all of them models of beauty as well as comfort, and the bedrooms were light and airy and well furnished. The club made it possible for Canadian nurses to enjoy many luxuries at a small cost.

H.R.H. Princess Patricia, always interested in Canada and Canadians, performed the opening ceremony, and a number of nurses were present in uniform to act as a guard of honor. From the day of the opening, the membership grew very rapidly, testifying to the fact that a club for nurses was badly needed, and the only regret felt by those who stood sponsor for the undertaking was that it had not been established