

"The extreme modesty of the Duchess of Cornwall and York has prevented people in this country from realizing how capable and practical a woman she is, in whatever work she undertakes. She has always striven for a high standard, and achieved it. Perhaps no charity in England has done more real good, or developed more kindly and practical sympathy, than the Needle-work Guild, which was instituted by the late Duchess of Teck, who was its president, and which, since her

of her English ancestors, has never been used for a more worthy purpose. The Duchess was her mother's most energetic helper in the work, and she has herself carried it on magnificently. The excellent way in which she trains and brings up her children is another proof of her goodness and common sense. The happy married life of the Duke and Duchess, and their modesty, simplicity and kindness is a perfect example of what the life of the head of any society should be. We feel with regard



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death has been carried on by her daughter. The organization is a simple but far-reaching one, and it has brought thousands of well-to-do women in personal touch and sympathy with the poorest parts of London. It is one of the most wonderful sights of modern charity, to see the vast array of clothing which has been annually distributed by the Duchess among the poor families of London, and in the schools in the most poverty-stricken parts of the Metropolis; the great room at St. James' Palace, in which hang the portraits

to them, as to every other member of our Royal family, that their example is one which must do good and impress those around them with the high sense of duty which the responsibilities of their position have developed."

The Princess Alice, third daughter of the Queen and Prince Albert, was, after the marriage of Princess Victoria and the Prince of Wales, the eldest daughter at home and the special favourite of the Prince Consort. She was his inseparable companion and was much with her father through his painful illness,