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I visited also two private Spanish hospitals, one conducted by the Association de Dependientes del Comercio de la Habana. This Society has a magnificent hospital in beautiful grounds called the "Quinta de Salud la Purisima Concepcion." The hospital consists of separate buildings, a large administration building, a large building containing a complete hydropathic establishment hot and cold water in every form and hot air and steam baths with all kinds of douches, which are managed by the director from a kind of pulpit; separate buildings for males and females and a very fine new operating theatre. This Society is very wealthy and has been in existence for years. It started first as a cottage hospital as its name 'Quinta' implies, and soon it grew larger and larger until it reached its present size. Each member pays \$1.50 a month, or \$18.00 a year, and as there are 13,000 members, their income is about \$234,000 a year. They have a surgeon-in-chief and physician-in-chief who are each paid \$3,000 or \$4,000 a year, and their assistants in proportion. Each member of the Association is entitled to a private ward and free medical and surgical attendance when ill. He can have his own doctor in preference to the regular surgeon or physician of the establishment. He can recommend anyone to this hospital to one bed. Although there are some 200 beds, when I visited the place there were only 50 patients actually being treated.

I visited another similar institution kept up entirely by natives of Asturias in Spain. This was not so modern as the one I have just described but has most charming grounds with a wonderful collection of tropical trees about it and lovely gardens. It has occurred to me that such a society for the establishment of an infectious hospital would be of advantage here. Let each member pay a stated sum into the society yearly, this would entitle him to one bed for himself or any member of his household. A membership of say 2,000 at \$10 per annum would give \$20,000 a year, for which a moderately sized hospital could be run. It would be like an insurance against infectious disease and when such diseases did come to us we could send members of our family to a place which would be modern, scientific, properly managed and comfortable. In every town in Cuba these Spanish private hospitals exist.

Another institution I visited was the Foundling Hospital (Maternidad). A very old foundation and apparently very well managed. It is of huge size. There is a turnstile containing a basket in which infants are deposited from the street; on passing through the opening the basket strikes a series of bells, the noise of which arouses the nun