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8/ Broad Sanctuary
Westminster

4 Nov 1845

Very truly
yours
M. W. Mearns

So sorry dear Miss Hubbard
not to have seen you
this afternoon! I should
certainly have stayed at
home if I had known.
However I must tell you
that I take in the Home
paper and have liked
both numbers, very much.
This proof too seems to
me very good and only
too little of it - the only
fact stated that I doubt
the possibility of, is that
ordinary women will be
able to nurse in poor
houses as much as eight
hours a day - In Liverpool

we only required six
and that was seldom
spent in the district;
part of it, ^{was} in Booking
in the Home of the Nurse.

What you say of the
difficulties of Private
Nursing, is very true
as things are, but if
the women trained at
Westminster would as
a rule look forward
after their three years
to be registered and
live at the proposed
Home, taking their own
fees, and paying a
fair tariff when in
the Home, they might
have all the independence

of the unattached Private
Nurse, and all the advan-
tage of community; still
ranked very much as
they deserved - of course
bringing to the central
Home a certificate from
each Case nursed.

When I explained my
notion to one young
Nurse now serving a
"Middle woman" the
tears came into her
eyes and she exclaimed
how thankful such
as ~~she~~ would be if
such a plan could
be carried out -

I am to receive one
daughter of a Medical
man, at the end of the

suek - I have one now,
and one or two more
are corresponding about
coming. I am dreadfully
kept back for want of
a proper well organized
house for all our Nurses,
I could tell you of much
that is discouraging as
it is, with so many bad
arrangements for them
in the hospital.

Do call again on me if
you can, spare time; I
do not think I shall
be out tomorrow or
Sat-7 or Sunday afternoon.

Believe me with very
many thanks for the
perusal of the enclosed
and every wish to say
my little say of encouragement
for your useful work. Yours