and I have found it difficult to obtain reliable information on the subject.-Yours faithfully, F.

[The question is an important one, and we should be glad if any of our readers would favour us with their experiences in the above direction.-ED.]

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

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