

LEICESTER INFIRMARY.—Sir A. G. Hazlerigg, Bart., presided at the quarterly meeting of the Governors, held on the 9th inst. The report of the Finance Committee at the close of the past quarter showed respectively on the Medical library account, the fever house account, and the chaplain's fund account a total balance in hand of £215 8s. 1d., but on the Infirmary proper account there was a serious deficiency at the end of the quarter. The balance due to the treasurer was £3,392 18s. 1d. An unusually large number of patients at the fever house had involved at least £1,000 more than the average expenditure.

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MADAME PATTI AND THE HOSPITALS.—Madame Patti gave her fourth concert at Swansea on the 11th inst., in aid of the Swansea Hospital and other charities. The proceeds amounted to about £1,000. Several presentations were made to her, and the French Consul presented her with the decoration of an officer of the Académie des Beaux-Arts, in recognition of her assistance to the French Hospital in London.

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NEW HOSPITAL AT SUNNYSIDE ASYLUM, MONTROSE.—The foundation-stone of this new Hospital was laid, on the 10th inst., by Provost Scott of Montrose, chairman of the Board of Managers. In consequence of the continually increasing demands upon the Montrose Asylum, one of the oldest in the country, the managers last year decided to build a new Hospital beside the main building, involving an outlay of £15,000, exclusive of furniture, &c. The new building will accommodate one hundred patients.

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GREAT NORTHERN CENTRAL HOSPITAL, HOLLOWAY ROAD.—This Institution has benefited to the amount of £114 by the late athletic sports fête, held at Tufnell Park grounds, promoted on its behalf by the tradesmen and police (Y division) of Holloway.

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CRICKLESWELL DISPENSARY.—The subscribers, at their annual meeting, held on the 13th inst., increased the salary of the Medical Officer, Mr. Philip E. Hill, quite spontaneously and unanimously from £35 to £40 per annum!

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NEW HOSPITAL, DOVER.—A new Hospital is to be erected in this town, adjacent to the old Institution, which was opened as a memorial of the general thanksgiving in 1854. The estimated cost is upwards of £5,000.

It is only those who have character and principles themselves who are qualified to praise character in others.

"NURSING RECORD" BENEVOLENT FUND.

"BEAR YE ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS."

OBJECT.—To assist, by the united efforts of the readers of the *Nursing Record*, Trained Nurses who may be in need of temporary or permanent aid.

Proposition I.—That subscriptions shall be received to a Benevolent Fund, from which disbursements shall be made to relieve cases urgently needing temporary assistance. A statement of all such receipts and expenditure to be published in the *Record*.

II.—That for such cases of distress as need permanent assistance, the following procedure shall be adopted. Every annual subscriber to this journal shall have the right to send to the Editor the particulars of any such case, with which they may be personally acquainted, and if after full investigation it be found suitable, the name and particulars shall be entered upon a list. The *Nursing Record* will ask its readers to work unitedly for only one case at a time, and when that one, in the manner considered most suitable, is permanently provided for, the list of cases as above obtained, shall be published in the journal. Each copy of that issue shall contain a slip of paper, so that each purchaser of that number will be able to vote for one of the cases on this list by writing her name thereon, and forwarding it by post to the Editor. The following issue of the journal shall contain the number of votes polled for each case, and that one which receives the largest number of proxies, will be adopted as the next case to be relieved by the Fund; and the readers of this journal will then be advised as to the method which seems most suitable for helping that particular case, and asked to unite in securing its speedy success.

CASE I.

Mrs. Sarah Duyck, aged 47, a widow. Has broken her leg so badly, that she will probably be a cripple for the rest of her life. Dislocated one shoulder some years ago, so that she is even unable to use her crutches for long at a time.

Proposed Method of Assistance.—To obtain an annuity of £20 a year from the British Home for Incurables. To do this at least 1,000 votes must be procured from subscribers to the Institution. Lists of subscribers can be obtained by sending eight stamps to the offices, 73, Cheapside, E.C.

Will every reader of this journal do what she or he can to obtain votes for this sad case—to assist, in however small a measure, to bear another's burden? Such help will be gratefully welcomed by the Editor, *Nursing Record*, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, London, E.C., and all subscriptions, etc., will be duly acknowledged.

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