

Carter also told of a lady who, at a meeting in the North to discuss "Women's Rights," said, "I think it is such a pity when women try to turn themselves into men, for they can never turn themselves into gentlemen." (Much laughter.) Mr. Carter then proposed a vote of thanks to Miss Stewart, which was cordially given. Dr. Bedford Fenwick proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which was carried by acclamation and briefly acknowledged, and the Meeting then concluded.

A LADY writes, in reference to some remarks I recently made upon the necessity of having English Nurses in Paris, that it should be made widely known that French people would be delighted to employ Englishwomen in this capacity if they could only speak French; and *à propos* of this, I hear that the Lady Superintendents of Nursing Institutions in Paris cannot persuade their employées when off duty to mix with the natives, and thus learn the language in the easiest and best possible way—that is to say, conversationally. With true insular habits the Nurses will sit down and study a grammar; but cultivate acquaintance with Parisians they one and all object to do. Any of my readers, therefore, who can speak French, even colloquially, and who are desirous of work, can easily obtain constant remunerative employment, it seems, in Paris.

An eloquent appeal for support to the East London Nursing Society appeared lately in the columns of the daily papers; and the announcement was made that a ball in aid of its funds was to take place early this month. I sincerely hope it will be a great success. The appeal speaks of "the assistance which we all need in time of sickness, especially those for whom this Society is formed—our less fortunate brothers and sisters. The Nurses are welcomed as a godsend by the poor, and are looked upon as angels of mercy in carrying out their unostentatious work in their squalid homes." And how true these words are, all who have been engaged in district work are well aware.

ABOUT a fortnight ago a fire occurred in one of the Wards at the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn Road, which might have been a very serious affair indeed but for the presence of mind and pluck of one of the Nurses, who was herself successful in extinguishing it; as it was, damage to the extent of some £60 or so occurred. I am glad to hear that the Nurse's actions have met with a suitable response, the Insurance Company voting three guineas, which is being expended in a medal commemorative of the event. The Committee have also authorised a cordial vote of thanks to the

Nurse, to be recorded on the minutes, and a certificate to the effect to be handed to the Nurse.

I AM glad to hear that Miss Ada Moore has been appointed Matron of the Leek Fever Hospital, Staffordshire. She was trained at the London Hospital, and remained there for six years, when she was appointed Sister to the Ophthalmic and Children's Wards, Cardiff, South Wales. After holding this position for some time, she was chosen as Sister of large Scarlet Fever Wards at the Monsall Hospital, near Manchester, a post which she vacated last month upon her election to the Leek Hospital.

I HEAR that Miss Blanche Becks, whose essay on "Life in a Cottage Hospital" gained the prize in the last competition, has chosen the well-known and handsome work, "Needlework as Art," by Lady Marian Alford. I am asked to say there is no restriction preventing anyone who has been a successful candidate in one of these Essay Competitions from competing again. S. G.

### THIS WEEK'S VACANCIES.

ADDRESS.	SITUATION.	SALARY.	APPLICATION TO
Bradford Infirmary.	Lady Superintendent.	£80.	Secretary.
Carmarthenshire Infirmary.	Staff Nurse.	£20.	Matron.
Chelsea, 89, Royal Avenue.	Trained Nurses.		Miss Minks.
Devonport Royal Albert Hospital.	Certificated Nurses for Private Nursing.		Matron.
Edinburgh, St. Cuthbert's Poorhouse.	Trained Nurses, Certificated Midwives.		Lady Superintendent.
Harrogate.	Trained Nurses, Certificated Masseuses.	To receive own earnings	Nurse Mosley, Edgerton Rd., Dronfield, near Sheffield.
Leicester.	Trained Nurses.		Miss Tanner, Nurses' Home, Aylestone Rd. S., The <i>Lancet</i> Office, 423, Strand, W.C.
Male Accident Hospital (eight beds).	Superintendent (trained).	£25.	Miss Potter, Heald Grove, Rusholme, Manchester.
Manchester and Salford Sick Poor and Private Nursing Institution.	Matron.	£60.	Matron, Nurses' Home, 11, Ellison Place.
Newcastle-on-Tyne.	Trained Nurses.	£25.	Lady Principal, Lady Superintendent.
Paris, Levick Institute.	Trained Nurses.		Matron.
Pendlebury Hospital for Sick Children.	Sister (28 beds).	£30.	Matron.
Plymouth, South Devon Hospital.	Trained Nurses for Private Nursing.	£25 to £30.	Matron.
Ryde (Isle of Wight) Nursing Institution.	Monthly Nurse (lady).		Matron.
Shepton Mallet District Hospital.	Head Nurse (one who can dispense preferred)	£30.	Secretary.
West Malling, Kent.	Trained Nurses.		Lady Supt., Kent Nursing Institution.
Wicksworth, Derby.	Trained Nurse and Midwife for Parish.	£52.	Parish Nurse.
Windsor Royal Infirmary	Trained Nurse.	£20 to £25.	Matron.

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