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WE regret to hear that the Children's Hospital, Great Ormond Street, W.C., is still closed on account of the diphtheria outbreak, and that the Staff are compelled to take an enforced holiday.

At the Sanitary Institute, Parkes Museum, 74A, Margaret Street, Regent Street, W., a lecture will be delivered to-day, at five o'clock, by Dr. Bushell Anningson, on "Rural Epidemics."

THE annual meeting of the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Nursing Association took place, we are informed by our correspondent, on Friday last. The Committee have made an earnest appeal for subscriptions to carry on the most useful work of this most useful Institution. The Nottingham Guardian, in its issue of the 26th, pleaded, in an eloquent and eulogistic leading article, the cause so well and so fully, that we advise all sympathisers to obtain the paper and read for themselves.

WE are informed that the Bolton and District Nursing Association, the latest branch of the philanthropic movements in that town, has been launched with much success, and we announce the gratifying fact that close upon \pounds 800 has been already received in donations and subscriptions, whilst some of the local tradesmen have contributed valuable aid in practical grants towards the furnishing of the Nurses' Home, 23, Bark Street, which was announced to be opened last Monday week. Free Nurses may here be had by the sick poor, and it is certain that, with the trained skill of the three Certificated Nurses who will at once be located there, much suffering and expense will be saved to the less fortunate in life of the townspeople.

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THE Hampstead branch of the Metropolitan and National Nursing Association has just issued its fourth annual report, giving a record of a useful work well done; we regret, however, to notice that, although the income of the past year has increased somewhat, there is still a decrease of $\pounds 90$ as compared with the previous year. The district has some wealthy inhabitants who could easily wipe off all arrears, which they are invited to do. All information and copy of the report can be obtained from Miss Spring, the Superintendent, 14, Lydhurst Road, Hampstead.

THE Charity Organisation Society, which some cynical writer has said " does so much organisation that it forgets all about the charity portion of its career," has just issued a memorandum on the "Medical Charities of the Metropolis," the upshot of this memorandum being that the Society tells us something which we all knew before, *i.e.*, "Evidently there is something wrong; the amount of provision for Medical relief is certainly ample." Further, a Select Committee, says the Charity Organisation Society, could collect the required information, could let us know all the ins and outs of the complicated details, could summarise that knowledge for us, and could then suggest some escape from the present wasteful state of things. The writer of this paragraph suggested this to the Medical journals years ago, and was laughed at for his pains. The administration of our Medical charities will come to a Royal Commission certainly, and the sooner the better.

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MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL.



Out-Patients' Waiting-Room and Refreshment Bar.



