

"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, &c., will be duly acknowledged.

WOMEN AND THEIR WORK.

A MARBLE bust of the Queen is about to be placed in the Council Chamber of the Kensington Town Hall. It is a replica in part of the statue of Her Majesty now in Government House at Singapore, which was subscribed for by the Chinese community there in celebration of the Jubilee. The sculptor is Mr. E. Geflowski, and the bust is being presented to Kensington by Mr. Jubal Webb.

THE Queen has consented to lend some valuable drawings, by Hogarth and Rowlandson, to the exhibition of "Humourists in Art," which will be opened on June 8. The Duchess of St. Albans will also send an interesting contribution in the shape of some of the drawings by Phiz, for the illustrations of Dickens' works.

THE Marchioness of Londonderry presided last week in Dublin at the annual meeting of the Irish Home Industries Association. About two hundred ladies were present, the report, which was adopted, being moved by the Countess of Aberdeen.

LADY SALISBURY has consented to become patroness of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

THE Lady Mayoress has been presented with a life governorship of the Morley Home, at Dover, as a token of appreciation of the interest taken by her husband, the Lord Mayor, in all that concerns the welfare of the labouring classes.

At a recent general meeting of the Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours Miss Kate Greenaway was elected a member.

LADY SANDHURST's case came up before the Court of Appeal last week, but the appeal was disallowed. As the judges have decided that in the present position of the law women are not able to sit as County Councillors, Miss Cobden and Miss Cons find themselves in the same position as Lady Sandhurst, only in their case no rival male candidate has disputed their right to sit.

WHEN the Bill for enabling women to become County Councillors came on for second reading in the House of Lords it was thrown out by 108 votes to 23. The Earl of Meath adduced some strong arguments in favour of the measure, and it was also known that the London County Council was almost unanimously desirous of the inclusion of women among its members. Before the division

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