

of last Tuesday, which contained twenty items with high-sounding French names, all the dishes having been prepared in the splendid new kitchens of the School. It is to be hoped that these lunches will be *à la carte*, else, shades of indigestion, thou wilt assuredly appear and nightmare will affright the *gourmet*, causing him on waking to anathematise with the poet—

"That awful cucumber
I ate the other night."

VEVA KARSLAND.

HOSPITAL INTELLIGENCE.

REPORTS OF INSTITUTIONS, &C.

THE third annual report of a most useful Institution has reached me, "The Servants' Institute and Conference Hall," 435A, Norwood Road, S.E., of which Mrs. Woodford Fawcett, Bressay House, Tulse Hill, S.W., is the Hon. Superintendent, and W. Coggan, Esq., Clarendon House, Norwood Road, S.E., the Treasurer, to whom, by the way, is due on the year's account no less than £49 4s. 9½d., and either Mrs. Fawcett or he will gladly receive subscriptions for the purpose of still further developing the excellent objects the Institution has in view. When I mention that nearly one thousand girls passed through the registry, and no less than four hundred and sixty were found situations, one has some idea as to the amount of useful work accomplished; but when to these can be added the facts that five thousand two hundred quarts of soup were supplied free to deserving people, and that there are not less than nineteen auxiliaries, embracing almost every phase of usefulness in servant life, which is not half as much considered as it ought to be in this Metropolis of ours, attached, it will be seen that those at the head of affairs have their hands quite full enough without having to hunt up benevolent people as subscribers. I cordially wish the Association every good wish for its continued welfare in doing good.

I ALSO have to acknowledge the receipt of the eighth annual report of the Sick Nursing and Mothers' Help (Stalybridge), and when I read that four thousand four hundred and sixty-three visits have been paid by one Nurse (Twamley) to one hundred and thirty cases, varying from ophthalmia to old age, during the year's work, I almost regard it as incredible, and can fully appreciate the esteem that this particular Nurse must be held in. The report is altogether a splendid record of a most splendid and practical work, and if the long list of people who subscribe would only double, for a few years, their subscriptions, as they ought to do, I feel confi-

dent that both the hon. secretary and hon. treasurer would greatly appreciate the improved difference. The work of this Society is such that every one associated with it has need to be proud of.

THE Salford Day Nursery, through Mrs. Makinon, the Ash, Lower Broughton, Mrs. Carson Clark, 5, Adelphi Terrace, Salford, or Miss Elizabeth Brown, hon. sec., 32, Broughton Road, Greengate, is in want of gifts of all kinds—cots, chairs, clothes, toys, purses with money in them; in fact, anything likely to prove of service, in order to properly carry on this important work.

THE report of the meeting of the Pasteur Institute Mansion House Fund, held on the 1st of July, has just reached me. The idea seems to have commanded the attention of most of the leaders of the Medical world, who have given it their support. Subscriptions are wanted, and the Lord Mayor will be happy to receive them, and Dr. M. Armand Ruffer, 26, Torrington Square, W.C., will be happy to answer any questions concerning the Institute.

MRS. ST. A. HORTON, the energetic hon. sec. of the St. Raphael's Home for Consumptives, Worthing, makes a special appeal for donations towards the Coal and Lighting Fund, for warm blankets, cod liver oil, wine, &c., and such will be gratefully acknowledged. The beds are full, and gifts of the above are not only cordially welcome, but absolutely necessary.

THE JUNIOR HOUSE SURGEON.

To what amazing heights of piety may some be thought to mount, raised on the wings of flaming zeal, and distinguished by uncommon preciseness and severity about little things, who all the while, perhaps, cannot govern one passion, and appear ignorant of, and slaves to, their darling iniquity.—*Mason*.

As men that walk in northern climates find that their own breath, rising in a cloud before their eyes, and freezing on their eyelashes and upon their beard, hinders their vision, so the thoughts and feelings and prejudices that rise up before the minds of men blind their judgments of the common things of life.—*H. W. Beecher*.

MEN of the world hold that it is impossible to do a disinterested action, except from an interested motive; for the sake of admiration, if for no grosser, more tangible gain. Doubtless they are also convinced that, when the sun is showering light from the sky, he is only standing there to be stared at.

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