

&c., only had one Nurse allotted to them, and were, therefore, very inefficiently attended to, and doubtless considered all the discomfort they suffered in consequence "part of the ailment." We Nurses used to think a special Providence kept an eye on our cases for us during the night, knowing that he had ordained that, like other human beings, sleep was a necessity to us. I have enjoyed reading this interesting correspondence about Home Hospitals exceedingly, and hope, for the sake of patients and Nurses, that "Matrona's" excellent regulations and rules may be widely adopted.—I remain, yours truly,  
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