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to pass ! If the girls had any fault, it was that, like many young workers, they were dazzled by the fire of their own energy. The last I heard of them was that they made a speciality of putting coals on the fire with the noiselessness of Venetian Familiars, that they pined for cases, and that all their relatives were hopelessly healthy. May the time be far distant in which they will be called upon to test their powers in their own homes! When it does come—as it doubtlessly will they will realise the value of their simple, but systematic, training in the elementary duties of nursing.

There may be many cases in which the presence of a professional Nurse may be far more desirable in a sick-room than that of the daughter of the house; but even if the latter be only admitted on "relief duty" in a purely subordinate character, her definite ideas on the duties of a Nurse will be of value to her, and the Nurse will probably have less doubts about leaving her patient, when she herself needs rest or exercise, if the patient is left in the care of one who, at all events, has been sufficiently trained to be trusted to desist from hazardous manœuvres on her own account, and who is able to appreciate the value of obeying instructions.

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Inventions, Preparations, &c.

LENTILINE BISCUITS (Messrs. E. Marriott & Co., Havelock Road, Hastings).—These biscuits have evidently been prepared with very great care, and are pre-eminently suitable for invalids and those whose digestive powers are in any way impaired. For children they are particularly adapted, as they are light, dry, crisp, and yet substantial. We predict a large and increasing demand for them.

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