

Letters to the Editor.

Notes, Queries, &c.)

Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not IN ANY WAY hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

We shall be happy to answer, as far as we can, all questions submitted to us.

BAKSHEESH.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I was indeed pleased to read the letter in your last week's issue from a "Nurse of Twelve Years." I must confess I have felt very disgusted at some of the letters on this subject. How a Nurse (or anyone else) can give presents and then grumble about them passes my comprehension. No one is obliged to give, surely they know that, and they are at liberty to give what they like and can afford. I trust there are not many Nurses who object to contribute, but those that do, let them say so at the time they are asked to give, so that the gift can come from those that like giving. I hope our Matrons and other officials do not think all Nurses are not "cheerful givers."—Yours faithfully, SILVERDALE.

Replies to Correspondents.

Miss Nora Statter.—We see no reason why, if otherwise eligible, you should be rejected because of the slight circumstance which you mention. For an account of the various Training Schools you had better purchase a copy of *The Nursing Directory*, which will shortly be issued at our offices, price five shillings, post free.

A. R.—We have made inquiries, but can gain no information as to the machine which you mention.

Hopeful.—The term of training varies much. If possible, obtain a three years' training, as in future this will clearly be held to be essential for the best class of Nurses. You had better order a copy of *The Nursing Directory*, which will shortly be published at our offices and which will give you the information you require. Price five shillings, post free.

A. E. P.—We advise you to consult a solicitor. The only case with which we are acquainted is an action brought in the Liverpool County Court, at the end of 1890, by Sarah Ferguson, a Monthly Nurse, to recover five guineas for professional attendance. She was engaged for August 26 to September 21. She was not sent for until September 13, and had to go to fulfil another engagement nine days afterwards. She claimed the full amount, as she had held herself engaged for the month. The judge found for the plaintiff for the amount she claimed, with costs.

Miss Dennis.—We regret your disappointment, but your wisest plan will be to get staff work for a year in some good Special Hospital. Try National, Queen Square; Samaritan Free, Marylebone Road; or one of the Fever Hospitals. The experience will be of the utmost value to you, and with your two years' certificate would qualify you for Registration.

NURSES, STUDENTS, and ALL WHO TAKE NOTES

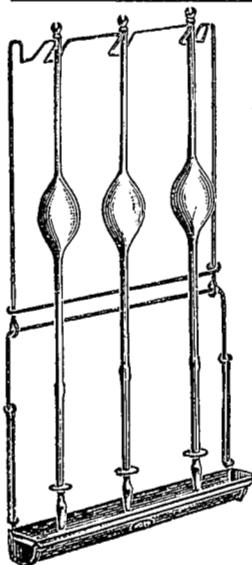
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