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### Letters to the Editor.

(Notes, Queries, &c.)

W :ilst cordially inviting communicutions upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly u iderstood that we do not in any W \ Y hold ourselves responsible for t'ie opinions expressed by our correspondents.

#### A DISTINCTIVE BADGE FOR NURSES.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—As so many women of doubtful character have lately been seen in the streets of London, Liverpool, and other large towns, wearing a nurse's uniform, who have not the smallest right to do so, do you not think something should be done to distinguish at a glance the real from the imitation? For instance, let each Nurse who is entitled to uniform wear round her neck a medal supported by a ribbon. The medal could be different on different Nurses according as they belonged to Hospitals, Institutions, or worked for themselves. But the special feature would be the ribbon, which should be registered, and any one wearing it without the right to do so should be prosecuted. Perhaps the R.B.N.A. would take the matter in hand, and sell the ribbon to all who have a right to it. A scarlet ribbon 1½ in. wide, with a white stripe ¼ in. wide down the middle, and blue N's at intervals on the scarlet would answer the purpose well. Begging you to insert this, in your valuable paper.—I remain, Sir. yours NURSE MURIEL.

important subject .- ED.]

#### "A FORTNIGHT IN A PRIVATE HOSPITAL."

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I am afraid my abominable hand-writing has puzzled even your proof-readers. vide the copy of NURSING RECORD I send by same mail. "Laughs" should have been "coughs," "intimate" - "insinuate," "livid"—"lined," "cunning"— "winning," etc.; and "the's" (guilty, I suppose, of flourishes) have become "that's."—Yours faithfully,

[We greatly regret these printers' errors in our valued correspondent's interesting article.—ED.]



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[The scandal referred to, is a matter of general comment in London, at any rate, and certainly deserves consideration. On more than one occasion we have alluded to it, and suggested that members of the R.B.N.A. should wear their badge conspicuously on their out-door cloaks. We shall be glad to hear the opinions of our readers on this

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