requested, in order to assist the Medical Officer of Health and his staff in their investigations of cases which may occur in the borough of a choleraic character, to notify to him at the Town-hall every case coming under their notice. Dr. BRUCE will immediately inquire into each case. The Doctors of the town have also been desired to give advice to and prescribe for any person applying to them who may be taken with cholera, at the cost in their discretion of the sanitary authorities. Lime will also be supplied to any person applying to the Sanitary Inspectors for the purpose of lime washing. The Grimsby Infectious Diseases Isolation Hospital has been specially prepared for cholera, and about 70 beds are now in readiness to receive patients. Dr. Bruce has been engaged to take charge of the Hospital, and has already begun duty with Miss JACKSON, of the Grimsby Nursing Institution, at the head of the Nursing department.

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The steamer Bradford, belonging to the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincoln Railway Company, has been chartered and fitted up as a Hospital ship, and is now lying in the roads for the reception of patients in the river Humber, with the steam launch Chapman as tender. A medical examination is to be made of every vessel entering the river bound for Grimsby. This, however, is no new measure of precaution, for this examination was regularly made during August by Dr. Simpson, who is in charge of this department. The Bradford is provided with an efficient nursing staff and crew, the nursing staff being under the charge of Miss Helen Norfolk, of the Grimsby Nursing Institution.

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IT is to be hoped that should cholera gain egress to other ports, they will be as well prepared as the sanitary authorities at Grimsby. It is a relief to know that, should the supply of local Nurses fall short of the demand, there is a body of Volunteer Nurses on the roll of the Royal British Nurses' Association, organized by its President, Princess Christian, ready for active service at any moment, and that in co-operation with this Cholera Nursing Committee are the Superintendents of several of our best known Private Nursing Institutions, who can supply a further demand from their thoroughly-trained staffs of Nurses.

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THE Quarterly Journal of the Royal British Nurses' Association is once more to hand, and reminds one how quickly the months slip away. The

The "NURSING RECORD" has a Larger Sale than any other Journal devoted solely to Nursing Work.

Editorial is naturally devoted to congratulating the members on its recent victory—the grant of the Royal Charter of Incorporation. The following words of praise will be widely re-echoed by all Nurses who have the love and honour of their profession at heart:—"Whilst congratulating the Corporation on the great success which has, therefore, crowned its efforts, the members will feel that it would ill become us to let the occasion pass without expressing, in their name, the heartfelt gratitude which they feel to Her Royal Highness Princess CHRISTIAN, for the unwavering support which she has bestowed, for the great personal interest which she has evinced, and for the time, thought, and wise counsel which she has so freely given to the Association during the past five years. Only those who have been intimately connected with the work can sufficiently realise the truly invaluable aid which Her Royal Highness has thus rendered to the whole profession of Nursing; because they, more than others, have had the opportunity of knowing the personal interest shown, and the hard work done, by the President in the face of great difficulties and much discouragement. When the history of our times comes to be written it cannot be doubted that no little stress will be laid upon the uprising of Nursing as a skilled calling during the closing years of the nineteenth century, and that justice will then be done to the all-important and international work accomplished in this direction by Her Royal Highness the Princess Christian."

This paper is so instructive from a Nursing point

of view, at this crisis, that those amongst my readers who are not members of the R.B.N.A. should send at once to the secretary, 8, Oxford Circus Avenue, for a copy of *The Nurses' Journal*,

price 6d.

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Amongst other instructive matter will be found the paper on Fevers and Fever Nursing, by Dr. Frederick F. Caiger, Medical Superintendent of the South Western Fever Hospital; a report of the special meeting of the General Council of the R.B.N.A., at which the granting of the Royal Charter was announced by Princess Christian; and the Charter and Bye-Laws in full.

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THE Select Committee of the House of Commons to consider the registration of Midwives was constituted as follows:—

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