

The programme of the concert was as follows:—

- Quartett in G minor (first movement)... .. *W. H. Veit*
for Two Violins, Viola, and Violoncelle.
Mdlle. C. A. BROUSIL, Miss ARMITAGE, Mr. H. LAIT,
and Herr E. KRALL.
- Vocal Quartett ... "Das Kirchlein" *Becher*
HAHN'S GLEE SINGERS.
(Organist—Herr HAHN.)
- Quartett in B flat minor (adagio and scherzo)... .. *Bonawitz*
for Violin, Viola, Violoncelle, and Pianoforte.
Mdlle. BROUSIL, Mr. LAIT, Herr KRALL,
and the Composer.
- Pianoforte Duet Impromptu, Op. 4 *Bonawitz*
Mrs. FREDERIC BEER and the Composer.
- Song "Myrto" *Léo Delibes*
Miss EDMÉE DE DREUX.
- Serenade, Op. 34 *Bonawitz*
for Two Violins, Viola, Violoncelle, and Pianoforte.
Mdlle. BROUSIL, Miss ARMITAGE,
Mr. LAIT, Herr E. KRALL, and the Composer.
- Vocal Quartett ... "Die Thraene" *Abt*
HAHN'S GLEE SINGERS.
- Pianoforte Solo { (a) Nocturne in F minor } *Chopin*
{ (b) Scherzo in B flat minor }
Herr J. H. BONAIVTZ.
- Salve Regina for Harp, Violoncelle, and Organ *Matys*
Mrs. SCHREIBER, Herren KRALL and HAHN.

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NEW regulations have been drafted for the reception of Probationers at the new Hospital for Women, Euston Road. Ladies are received as Probationers upon payment of a fee of £30 a year. The Hospital allows 2s. a week for laundress. Ladies who have already trained in Nursing, are received for a period of not less than three months, upon payment of a fee of one guinea a week. These arrangements will, we feel sure, be found of great service to those Nurses desiring to become thoroughly efficient in the Nursing of gynæcological cases, and of abdominal operations, as each Nursing School usually having but one ward for the treatment of women's diseases, a very limited number of its Probationers can receive the benefit of a thorough training in this important branch of Nursing.

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THE Bradford Incorporated Nurses' Institution was held last week in the Mayor's Parlour of the Town Hall, and we regret to observe that the charitable or District Nursing department is a heavy loss to the Institution. We read:—

"The work of this department of the Institution, that is to say, the nursing of the sick poor in their own homes free of cost to them, has been unremittingly carried on during the past year, and latterly the number of cases and the visits of the Nurses have increased to such an extent that instead of three Nurses being sufficient to overtake the work, four and even five Nurses have had to be relegated to the duty. In the year 1892, 164 cases were attended by the Nurses, and 8,199 visits were paid to the sick poor; whereas in 1893, 315 cases, or nearly double, were attended, and 11,725 visits were paid. Since the present year (1894) began, the visits paid will, if they continue at the same rate, reach at least

20,000 in the year. Now, the fund provided by subscriptions to the Institution for carrying on this work is about £114 a year, whereas the cost to the Institution will not fall very far short of £300 a year. Thus the Nurses' Institution is incurring a loss of about £180 a year or over, and in view of other and pressing wants of the Institution, the Committee have been forced to the conclusion that this expenditure must cease or it will land them in financial embarrassment. As all past appeals for public aid have called forth only isolated responses, the Committee have determined to inaugurate a new departure in district nursing, and on an early day to call together all those of the public likely to be interested, and lay before them the whole subject of charitably nursing the sick poor. It will be proposed to form district committees of ladies, or one general committee with branches, to raise the funds for each district, and to secure the general end, the Nurses' Institution will either superintend the work or assist the ladies' committees, and advance such sums as they receive for this purpose. Leeds supports six district Nurses through such committees and raises £1,000 a year for the work without apparent difficulty. In the meantime it may merely be remarked that apart from the question of funds, the district Nurses are seriously overtaxed; for example, the visits in the year 1893 averaged 30 a day, and since the beginning of 1894, 68 cases a day have been visited, whereas the limit of cases allowed to be attended by a Nurse, as defined by the London Metropolitan District Nursing Association, is from 12 to 16. It may be added that one-half of all the cases attended by the Nurses are recommended by the Infirmary Dispensary surgeons, and the remainder by private and Poor-law surgeons. Should, therefore, district nursing be diminished or discontinued, it would involve a serious loss of usefulness to the Infirmary authorities. The Committee, as has been said, will call the meeting to consider this subject on an early day, and they most earnestly invite all who have the relief of the suffering and sick poor at heart to generously give their presence and aid to a most estimable charity.

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THE Office of the Registered Nurses' Society was opened on Monday, the 23rd inst., at 269, Regent Street, which is close to Regent Circus, and, therefore, most accessible from all parts of the Metropolis. The Assistant-Secretary, Miss ETTA JACKSON, will be found on duty from 9 a.m. by those requiring Nurses. The registered telegraphic address is "Soror" (*anglice* Sister), and, considering that 80,000 names have already been registered at the General Post Office, the Society has been fortunate to secure so suitable an address for a Society of Nurses. Mrs. BEDFORD FENWICK, who is acting as Honorary Superintendent until the Society is well floated, can be seen by eligible candidates at 12, Holles Street, Cavendish Square, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, between the hours of 11 and 1.

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THE half-yearly examinations and competition for the Gold Medal have been taking place at St. Bartholomew's Hospital during the week, and we hope to publish the result in next week's issue.

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WE regret that, owing to want of space, the synopsis of Mr. R. LAKE's excellent lectures on "Practical points for Nurses in Throat, Nose, and Ear cases," must be held over until next week.

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