DR. F. DE HAVILLAND HALL has been appointed an In-patient physician to the Westminster Hospital, to fill the vacancy caused by the untimely death of Dr. STURGES.

WE understand that a new medical monthly, entitled *Clinical Sketches*, will begin its journalistic life on the 1st of January next. According to the prospectus, illustrations are to form a special feature. Mr. NOBLE SMITH will be the editor, and Messrs. Smith, Elder & Co. the publishers.

The Paddington and Marylebone District Nursing Association, 510, Edgware Road, W., have issued an appeal for funds to meet a deficit of \pounds_{200} on the year's income. If this is not forthcoming it will be necessary to reduce the staff of six Nurses.

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IT has been decided to hold the Central Poor Law Conference on the first Tuesday and Wednesday after the meeting of Parliament. Mr. A. M'DOUGALL, of Manchester, is to be asked to read a paper on "Vagrancy," and Mr. BOWEN, of Birmingham, one on "The present unsatisfactory state of the law in regard to Rating and Assessment." "Workhouse Nursing, and the better legal protection of Pauper Children," will also be brought under discussion."

WE are glad to announce that the Plymouth Court of Guardians have decided to elect a fourth relieving officer, in order the more effectually to inquire into the cases of those who apply for relief; and, more important still, have decided to engage, through the National Nursing Association, half-a-dozen trained, qualified and certificated Nurses, to attend to the 180 sick poor in the Infirmary. Thus a more enlightened public opinion is beginning to make itself felt; and those who bring forth the stock argument that such improvements will involve increased rates, do so with even less certainty that it will meet with approval. For efficiency is after all the truest economy.

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53, BERNERS STREET, OXFORD STREET, LONDON, W.



The Course of "Holiday Science Lectures," arranged by Dr. A. T. Schofield, will not be given at 53, Berners Street, as stated in this column, in an earlier number of the NURSING RECORD, but will be delivered by Dr. Schofield at the Portman Rooms, Baker Street, commencing on Wednesday, Janu-

ary 2nd, 1895. Tickets for the Course can be obtained at the Portman Rooms. Payment for single lectures (2s.) to be made at the door.

The Elementary Examination held in Lincolnshire on December 11th, 12th, and 13th has been concluded in a most satisfactory manner. Miss Dunbar was the Examiner on this occasion, and the Society has received letters from the various Hon. Secs. for the Examination, speaking in the highest terms of the way in which she conducted the Examination, combining, as she did, sympathy and consideration for the candidates with enthusiasm and thoroughness in her work. Miss Dunbar has now held many Examinations for the Society, and her work has always met with great appreciation both from the candidates themselves and also from the various superintendents.

Miss Belcher has concluded her Courses of Homely Talks in Bently and Brentwood, and these classes will be examined during this week. Miss Belcher is a most successful lecturer, and draws large audiences to all her classes.

The First half of the Examination for Training Students will be held during this week. After the Examination, the students will have a short cessation from work, for the Christmas Holidays, the lectures being recommenced on January 15th, 1895. The Second half of the Training Course consists of lectures on Hygiene, Sanitation, etc.



Our Foreign Letter.

Report of the Training School for Nurses, Toronto General Hospital.

The Toronto General Hospital Training School for Nurses has now completed the thirteenth year of its history—a history which throughout has been characterized by earnest work, rather than by anything which can be called eventful.

Year after year from twenty to thirty young women enter upon a course of instruction and training, while almost an equal number complete their course, receive their certificates of qualification, and pass out of the school.

It must be remembered, however, that while the education and training of the Nurses is being accomplished, the more important, and primary aim of the system is also being performed, namely, the care and nursing of the sick in the various wards of our Hospital.

Our work and methods of instruction, during 1894, have not differed materially from that of other years. It consists of the usual class in Elementary Anatomy, Physiology and Practical Nursing, by the Superintendent and her Assistant, together with a very complete course of lectures which continues from October until July.



