

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Miss Brett, Birmingham.—Your interesting letter has been received, and the question will be dealt with in an early number of the RECORD.

Miss Scudamore, Guildford.—The best maker of such corsets is Madame Festa, of 63, Grosvenor Street, W. She also makes most excellent abdominal belts, and your friend would be well advised to obtain from her the necessary appliance.

Miss Armstrong, Surbiton.—We have often stated in these columns that women are trained in dispensing by the Pharmaceutical Society among many others, and that the certificate is open to them. There is no reason at all why, when properly trained and certificated, you should not get an appointment as dispenser at a Hospital.

Gentlewoman, Bristol.—Under the circumstances your best plan would be to go to the private Hospital recently opened at Bristol by medical women. The charge for care and treatment is only one guinea weekly. You have indeed had a hard struggle. Illness in itself is bad enough, but combined with poverty it is wonderful you have kept up your spirits so well. The really poor are best off in times of sickness, for there are so many comfortable Hospitals provided for that class. We hope you will soon be better.

Would-be Probationer, Margate.—We do not think any Hospital makes the restriction you fear as to the number of teeth, the loss of which will disqualify from entrance to the Training School. A "medical examination" may of course be translated in such an elastic manner as to include the consideration

of teeth. In the new Army regulations the loss or decay of ten teeth will disqualify a candidate for admission, but we have not heard of any Hospital applying such a rule to its Nurses. Of course your teeth should be thoroughly attended to by a good dentist, and put into perfect order before you enter a Hospital. In the Army "well-filled" teeth are considered sound.

Miss Bestwood, Cheltenham.—You would be almost sure to obtain the back numbers you desire for binding purposes if you apply at the Office, 11, Adam Street, Strand.

Miss Stevenson, Nairn.—The Medical and Surgical Degrees of Glasgow University are open to women exactly on the same conditions as to men. Apply for all particulars to the Secretary, Queen Margaret College, Glasgow.

Nurse Kelly, Bray.—You can be trained as a Midwife at the Rotunda Lying-in Hospital, Dublin. The fee, which includes board and lodging, is twenty-five guineas.

Miss A. Campbell, Berwick.—Your question as to the preparation of "pulled bread," hardly comes within our province, but as the doctor has ordered it "for the stomach's sake" of your patient, and as it is an excellent change for an invalid's breakfast or afternoon tea, we will answer it. Get the top of a very fresh cottage loaf, pull it apart, and with a fork detach small rough pieces of the crumb. These should be put in a quick oven and baked for about ten to fifteen minutes. With a pat of nice butter, "pulled bread" makes a very dainty little repast. Many Nurses in Hospital prepare this little delicacy for the ward-tea. But such a practice must not *often* be indulged in, for it certainly wastes the bread. In households the crusts remaining over can be used in many ways.

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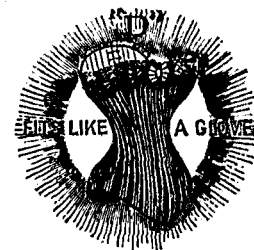
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