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QUESTIONS FOR OCTOBER.

- I.—What are the chief difficulties with which nurses have to contend in private nursing?
- II.—Describe the position in bed usually adopted by cases of enteric fever, peritonitis, heart disease, and meningitis.

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Miss Jane Bower, Winchester.—We should recommend you to enter a good general hospital first, obtain a certificate, and then qualify in special branches of nursing, such as infectious fever, and the nursing of the insane. It is inevitable that the training of asylum attendants should be developed on these lines before they can become efficient "mental nurses," and we are glad to find that several medical superintendents of asylums for the insane are beginning to recognize that general training must, in the future, be the foundation of an efficient mental nurse's education. If any departure can stultify the reform of asylum nursing, it will be carrying into effect the disastrous suggestion of Dr. Outterson Wood and the honorary officers of the Royal British Nurses' Association to register asylum attendants as "trained nurses" before they are trained.

Matron, Ireland.—Many thanks for kind letter. Sorry you could not attend the meeting. A full account will appear in next week's issue of the NURSING RECORD.

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