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#### Motices.

### THE MATRONS' COUNCIL.

THE Nursing Directory Sub-Committee of the Matrons' Council will meet on December 15th, for the last time before the new issue, to consider applications for admission to the Nursing Directory. Nurses who have been trained in General Hospitals of 100 beds or over, and can be well recommended by their Matrons are eligible. Application forms may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Matrons' Council, 46, York Street, Portman Square, London, W.

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#### Comments and Replies.

His Well-wisher in Health and Sickness.-We have received your letter, but we cannot publish anonymous letters unless the name and address of the sender is enclosed, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. Will you, therefore, forward these to us if you wish your letter to appear. W. C. L.—Every doctor would order the particular strength of carbolic lotion he considered suitable for the particular case of burn.

particular case of burn. Miss A. N. F.--We should recommend you to subscribe to the Woman's Signal, price 1d. weekly, published at 30, Maiden Lane, W.C. The Humanitarian, price 6d. monthly, published by Duckworth & Co., also contains many interesting articles which we think you would appreciate. The address of the offices of the Royal British Nurses' Association is 17, Old Cavendish Street, W. We are of opinion that it is quite useless to continue a subscriber to its funds "in the hope of better times" under the degrading new Bue-I area. So long as better times" under the degrading new Bye-Laws. So long as better times" under the degrading new Bye-Laws. So long as it is supported by the subscriptions of nurses, so long will it pos-sess the means to carry on a policy which we think all fair mind-ed and unbiassed persons must own is unjust and tyrannical. *MissP.T.,Bristol.*—Byall means obtain instruction in house-keeping. You will find it most useful to you subsequently. *Pupil Midwife.*—We do not consider it right ever to send out midwifery pupils to attend cases without super-vision. It is unfair both to the patient and to the pupil. To the patient, because she certainly would not avail herself

To the patient, because she certainly would not avail herself of the help afforded if she knew that it was unskilled, and that the pupil was merely attending her for the sake of the experience afforded; and to the pupil, because she does uot obtain the teaching for which she has paid. It is quite impossible for a pupil to learn her work, unless she has some one who knows, at hand, to instruct her. We should advise you to tell your superintendent that you decline to attend cases until you have obtained the L. O. S.

decline to attend cases until you have obtained the L. O. S. certificate, except in company with a qualified midwife. *Miss E. S.*—You would do well to study a foreign language thoroughly during the time which must elapse before you can begin your hospital career; preferably French, if you are not well acquainted with it. *A Lady.*—Thank you for the information you kindly sent us. We are always glad to receive news which is likely to interest our readers, but an almost identical paragraph to the little one which you forwarded, appeared in our issue

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