

probationer may guide her conduct in her relations to the patient, the doctor, and her fellow nurses.

I cannot sufficiently regret that the Committee of well-meaning yet unprofessional women, who assumed the entire responsibility of selecting trained nurses for the Yeomanry Hospitals in South Africa, did not realise that their action cut at the very root of professional discipline, and they must not now resent the inevitable result.

Hence, the sooner a Code of Ethics is defined for trained nurses the better for all concerned.

E. G. F.

The Nottingham Bazaar.

LAST year we made an appeal to our readers to help us to supply articles for the Nurses' Stall, at a forthcoming bazaar in aid of the Children's Hospital at Nottingham, for which the busy Lady Superintendent had made herself responsible. The bazaar has been postponed from time to time, partly owing to the illness of the Empress Frederick—who had promised, if possible, to open it—and partly owing to the war.

Miss Spittal, the Lady Superintendent, writes:—"Our bazaar has had to be postponed until next June. We are, however, going to move into our new quarters at Forest House (a beautiful mansion in spacious grounds) next month, and our opening ceremony has been fixed for December 17th, when the Duchess of Portland is coming to open the new wards. The house has taken longer to adapt to the requirements of a hospital than we expected, but now that is nearly finished, and we are *delighted* with it. The rooms set apart for the children's wards, are bright and airy, but we do not lose sight of the fact that they are temporary wards, and after our bazaar we hope to be able to build two new pavilions, each to hold two wards of twenty beds, making the number up to eighty in all."

We began our nursing career in the pretty little dolls' house of a Children's Hospital at Nottingham years and years ago, but have retained a very tender memory of the six happy months spent under its roof. Its needs have long since outgrown its restricted space, and we are happy to learn that it is extending its borders. We venture to remind those of our readers who have a little time and money to spare, that we can do with "baith" to further this good cause, and shall be pleased to receive such articles of handiwork as they think fit to send us for Miss Spittal's stall. We have already a drawer full of dainty things carefully packed away.

Nursing Echoes.

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ON Page viii. of our advertisements, in future, our readers will find some Pictorial Puzzles, specially designed for the NURSING RECORD by a well known caricaturist, Mr. Fred Reynolds, of Leeds. We trust these Puzzles will serve to amuse our Readers, and, perhaps, their patients also, during the long winter evenings. And to give a practical zest to the solution of the Puzzles, we offer a Prize of One Guinea, under conditions specified on the same page. We only hope that a large number of our readers will try to win the Prize.

* * * THE average of votes so far recorded works out at *seventy-five to one* in favour of State Registration for Nurses. This is good. One Matron, in signing the form, says:—"Although a well-known Registrationist and an old stager, I must sign the enclosed form." Why certainly! We want every friend of the cause to sign and return the form to us—it will be found on advertisement page No. vi.—whether they are "old stagers" or not, we want to gauge the feeling of our readers on this question, so, please, will each one who is anxious to gain Registration sign the form this week; there is ample room in our letter-box, some naughty person has broken one of its glass sides—and, in anticipation of this week's mail, we will leave it unmended, so that the pile of letters which we feel sure will arrive, will just slip comfortably through on to the mat in the hall.

* * * WE are glad to see that several officers home from the front are expressing the opinion that both British and Colonial nurses who have done satisfactory work in South Africa during the present war, should receive a special medal in recognition of their services. We have little doubt that the suggestion, which is probably already in the minds of the authorities, will be acted upon, for the nurses who have shared the hardships of this campaign, on a life-saving mission, certainly deserve official recognition of their services as well as the men in the fighting ranks whose duty has been the destruction of life.

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