

NURSING uniforms are put to a variety of uses, but we hope that one to which our attention is drawn by an indignant correspondent, will not become common. We are informed that at a Home for Fallen Girls in the neighbourhood of Regent's Park, the inmates are put into Sister Dora caps, and are seen through the windows, and cleaning the door-step in this head gear. We have reason to believe that the Home in question is in many respects admirably conducted, but we should like to suggest to the Lady Superintendent that she is—no doubt unwittingly—helping to bring the badge of an honourable profession into disrepute, and to ask her to adopt a non-nursing cap as the uniform of the establishment.

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WE are glad to learn that Miss Margaret F. Rogers, the Superintendent Nurse at the East Preston Union Workhouse, persists in her refusal to resign her position at the request of the Guardians, whose reasons for making such a request are of the flimsiest possible description. Miss Rogers has done wisely to write to the Local Government Board, who alone have power to dismiss her, stating her case, and to put the affair in the hands of her solicitors, as this places the matter on a business basis. Messrs. Prince and Co., of Brighton, Miss Roger's solicitors, have written to the East Preston Guardians, saying that the Guardians' action with regard to their client "is calculated to seriously affect her position and career, and it is only equitable that she should be informed of the particulars of the charge or complaint (if any) to be made against her." The solicitors add, "We should be reluctant to think that, because certain members of the Board resented her appointment under the Order of the Local Government Board, she should be treated unfairly, as, of course, she is not to blame in any way for the Local Government Board's action." To demand the resignation of an official, without assigning any reason for such a step, is a most unjust and cowardly method of conducting business.

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THE Brighton, Hove and Preston Nursing District Association is doing excellent work in the homes of the poor, and it is a regrettable fact that its work, according to the report recently presented at the Annual Meeting, is still hampered by lack of funds. An interesting ceremony at this meeting was the presentation, made to the Superintendent, Miss Buckle, by Lady Louise Loder, on behalf of the ladies of the Committee and a few officers, of a testimonial, and a cheque for 40 guineas, in recognition of the services she had rendered in starting the Association in

Brighton. Miss Buckle warmly expressed her thanks for the appreciation of her work evinced by the gift, as well as for the kindness which prompted it.

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THE working men of Taunton have decided to erect a tombstone over the grave of the late Miss Fisher, in memory of her devoted and self-sacrificing labours amongst the poor of the town during the many years she was associated with the District Nursing Association as Hon. Superintendent and Hon. Secretary. It has also been decided to place a stained-glass window in St. Andrew's Church, where she worshipped for many years; this will occupy a position beside that erected to the memory of the late Nurse Sage, formerly connected with the Taunton Nursing Association, who volunteered for service in South Africa with the Welsh Hospital Corps, but died soon after reaching Bloemfontein.

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ON Thursday last the Countess Cadogan opened a sale of the patients' work at the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Dublin, when the governors and friends of the institution mustered in force. The patients have for months past been busily engaged in making the tasteful and useful articles offered for sale, many of which were really exquisite in design and workmanship. A special feature of the sale is that the entire proceeds are distributed amongst the workers themselves, and they, therefore, look forward eagerly to the results. The day proved a great success, and Miss Bradshaw, the genial Matron, and her staff, were fully employed in looking after their numerous visitors.

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THE Committee of the Melbourne Hospital have decided to call for fresh applications for the position of Lady Superintendent. A number of applications were received in response to advertisements published throughout Australia and New Zealand, and of these six were approved by the Sub-Committee. The General Committee still further reduced the number to three, and then the question was raised as to whether it was advisable to limit the selection to the nurses of Australasia. It was pointed out that the standard of nursing in Victoria depended to a very large extent upon the qualifications of the Lady Superintendent of the Melbourne hospital, and it was therefore urged that, without reflecting upon the ladies whose names were before the Committee, applications should be invited from Great Britain and America, as well as from Australasia. Upon the motion of Messrs. Gillott and Strong it was decided to adopt this course, and the Secretary was instructed

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