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Coming Events.

June 11th.—Laying of Foundation Stone, School of Advanced Medical Studies, Nurses Home and Maternity Students House, University College Hospital, by Sir Donald Currie, G.C.M.G. 4 p.m.

June 12th.—Shoreditch and Bethnal Green District Nursing Association. Fête and Sale of Work at the Home, 80, Nichols Square, Hackney Road, N.E. 3 p.m. Her Highness Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein will receive purses from children. 3.30 p.m.

June 13th.—Colonial Nursing Association—Annual Meeting, Colonial Office. Lord Amptill presides. The Earl of Elgin speaks, 3.30.

June 13th.—Council for the Promotion of the Higher Training of Midwives. Annual meeting of subscribers and friends, London House, 32, St. James's Square, by kind permission of the Bishop of London. H.R.H. Princess Christian will preside. Speakers, W. Crooks, Esq., M.P., and C. J. Cullingworth, Esq., M.D. The Hon. Sec., Miss Alice Gregory, will make a statement on the work and aims of the Training School founded by the Council, "The Home for Mothers and Babies." 3 p.m.

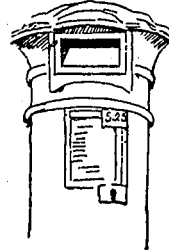
June 14th.—Conversazione, organised by the Provisional Committee of the National Council of Nurses, at the Gallery of the Royal Society of British Artists, 6a, Suffolk Street, Pall Mall, S.W. London Viennese Band. 8 p.m.

A Word for the Week.

"To all my friends I leave kind thoughts, to my enemies the fullest possible forgiveness, and to Ireland the undying prayer for the absolute freedom and independence which it was my life's ambition to try and obtain for her."—*Last words of Michael Davitt.*

Letters to the Editor.

NOTES, QUERIES, &c.



Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not in any way hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

OUR GUINEA PRIZE.

To the Editor of the "British Journal of Nursing."

Miss M. Deverill acknowledges with sincere thanks the cheque for Puzzle Prize which she has received. Birkdale, Lancashire.

A SHORT NOTE SUGGESTING ONE MEANS OF ARRESTING THE INFECTION OF TYPHOID.

To the Editor of the "British Journal of Nursing."

DEAR MADAM,—I venture to send the following short note suggesting the means of arresting the infection of typhoid.

"First, that to each ward there should be a separate lavatory for typhoid cases only, the pipes of these lavatories should not in any way connect with the main sewer, but should connect to a main pipe quite distinct from the main sewer: This main pipe would then empty itself into a tank, situated a little distance from the hospital, in which would be strong chemicals and disinfectants, and under which large fires could be kept burning, which would reduce the evacuations to steam. At the top of the tank there could be a pipe to connect it to the ordinary main sewer, through which the steam or gaseous matter could then escape, thoroughly disinfected, I should not think that there would then be so much chance of carrying the infection through the sewer to the neighbouring towns and villages. The nurse must also do her part by keeping the lavatories thoroughly disinfected; it is such an important matter the carrying of infection, that for the benefit of the public at large, we should all try our best to arrest the infection."

Yours faithfully,

E. H.

TRAINING IN DISTRICT NURSING.

To the Editor of the "British Journal of Nursing."

DEAR MADAM,—May I ask you why it is that some nurses must have six months training in a District Nursing Home before they can call themselves "Queen's Nurses," and others who have not had the training can do likewise?

I spent one year in a District Nursing Home, and was allowed to call myself a "Queen's Nurse" after six months hard work; in other homes the probationers have to attend lectures and pass examinations; and yet I have heard of nurses who have stepped out of hospital or from private nursing right into district work and are allowed to call them-

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