

Nursing Echoes.

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In commemoration of the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to the Punjab, the Phulkian Chiefs raised a lakh of rupees (£6,666), leaving the form of its utilisation entirely to the Prince. His Royal Highness has decided that half the amount shall be devoted to founding a Girls' School at Lahore, and the remaining

moiety be given to Lady Minto's Endowment Fund for the Indian Nursing Association.

By desire of the Bishop of Stepney, the members of the East London Nurses' Home will in future take a course of Yiddish lessons, in view of the ever-increasing work of the home among the Jewish poor.

All district nurses should preach the dangers of overlaying to poor ignorant mothers. Dr. Wynn Westcott, at an inquest on an infant at Hackney on Saturday, said that English parents appeared to have taken very seriously to heart the idea that they ought to take their babies to bed with them in order to keep them warm, the result being that 2,000 children were suffocated in England every year, 600 of that number being in London alone. If one went abroad such a thing as a suffocated baby was never heard of. He took a lot of trouble some years ago to make inquiries in France and Germany and other countries, but found there was no fear of any such cases, as it was the universal custom there to keep the babies in a wooden cot or a bassinette. As soon as a marriage took place in France the young couple was presented with a cradle. In Germany it was illegal to have a baby under twelve months old in bed with his parents. It would be well to adopt this wise law in this country.

At the request of many nurse friends, Miss Mary Marks, who is teacher of massage at St. Thomas' Hospital, and a masseuse whose professional services are much sought after, is arranging a class, at which she will take pupils

for private instruction, at 2, Norwood Place, Church Street, Kensington. The application of electricity is a special feature in Miss Marks' teaching as she has had much experience in this branch of work. She has frequently been urged to take private pupils, but in the past has not seen her way to do so. Many nurses will, no doubt, therefore, be glad to know that she is forming a class. All particulars as to hours, terms, &c., may be obtained from Miss Marks at the above address.

A Superintendent of an Association of Nurses writing with regard to our editorial remarks on the subject of Nursing Fees says:—"We have felt the difficulty referred to of doing justice between patient and nurse, and realised that the tendency towards higher fees was not altogether satisfactory; we have considered two guineas the standard fee for average cases and average nurses, but there are some nurses whose personality and ability would have enable them to take a foremost place in any profession they had chosen, and who are worth the highest nursing fees just as there are some cases in which a charge of three guineas is fully justified. We have found that the only way of working satisfactorily is to have a varied staff, and select as suitably as possible for each case as it comes."

A new Ladies' Temperance Hotel has recently been opened by Miss Longstaff and Miss Stevens, at Rudyard House, 52, Longridge Road, Earl's Court, South Kensington, which will be conducted as a comfortable, inexpensive, Boarding House for nurses, students, governesses, and visitors to London. Cubicles or private rooms can be obtained, and the tariff and prices appear eminently reasonable.

The "Short Series of Lectures to Ward Sisters" on infectious nursing, by Dr. Knyvett Gordon, Medical Superintendent of the Monsall Fever Hospital, and Lecturer on Infectious Diseases in the University of Manchester, have been so greatly appreciated that it is probable they may be re-published in pamphlet form, with an additional lecture by Dr. Gordon dealing with details omitted in the lectures on account of their being matters of common knowledge to the Ward Sisters at Monsall to whom the lectures were in the first instance addressed.

There is keen competition to give to the world "A History of Nursing." In the United States Miss Nutting and Miss L. L. Dock, both most eminent graduate nurses and experienced Superintendents of Nurses, have almost ready

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