

children in the principal towns under the direction of lady doctors, who also give gratuitous consultations.

3. A system of free consultations has been organised in many towns and "donars" (districts) and free distribution of medicaments.

4. A special institution to treat cases of ophthalmia.

5. The work of vaccination and re-vaccination has been extended. The chief characteristic of the native infirmaries is that the patients who object to contact with alien races in the hospitals, where they would be with Europeans, can obtain in these infirmaries their ordinary food (which they send for from outside) and enjoy special comforts. They are nursed by natives who have studied the elements of their profession, and who treat them intelligently.

These infirmaries, built on premises hired, or erected by the local authority for the purpose, generally consist of two wards, containing 10 to 12 beds for men, and 6 to 8 beds for women and children; a kitchen, a room for the male nurse, one for the female nurse, where there is one, another used for a pharmacy and consulting room, and even as an operating room for the doctor, a bathroom and lavatories.

The average expenditure is £400, provided partly by the colonial budget and partly by rates.

A doctor selected either by the colonial or the local authorities is put in charge of the establishments, and is assisted by a native who has studied two years in the School of Medicine at the Mustapha Hospital at Algiers.

There are actually in Algeria, 88 infirmaries for natives, of which 15 are in Southern Oran (one of these at Beni-Ounif is named after its donor, Dr. Henry de Rothschild).

As regards eye diseases, which are very common in the colony, the Administration recommends washings of boracic acid, to facilitate which free distributions of the disinfectant are made.

Medical establishments where individual attention is given have been set on foot.

The new organisation for hospitals and medical aid has been received by the majority of the natives with gratitude, a tangible proof of this being the numerous gifts of beds, mats, clothing, and sums of money from the natives in aid of it.

The system of hospitals in the colony comprises for the European population a number of large and airy hospitals."

Algeria seems to be a promising sphere of labour for the modern French nurse. MARY BURR.

We are glad that the appeal of Mr. J. E. Groom against a fine of £5 for unlawfully assaulting Mrs. Minnie Johnston, a lady detective, was dismissed with costs at Newington Sessions. It will be remembered that the appellant and his wife kept a nursing home at Lavender Sweep, and Mr. Groom assaulted Mrs. Johnston when visiting a patient with her daughter. The Bench dismissed the appeal on the ground that greater violence was used than was necessary. We confess we see no reason for any violence at all.

Our Guinea Prize.

We have pleasure in announcing that Miss Emily Caroline Evans, The Retreat, York, has won the Guinea Prize for October.

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No. 3.—"Lewis" Fountain Pen.

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No. 4.—"Varico" Leg Bandage.

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The following competitors have also solved the puzzles correctly:—

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