NURSING ECHOES.

Members of the Royal British Nurses' Association are beginning to realise that the incorporation of the voluntary register compiled by the College of Nursing by Act of Parliament, sounds the death-knell of the roll compiled by the R.B.N.A., and indeed of the necessity for the Association at all. At the recent annual meeting, Princess Christian, the President, remarked that she knew very little regarding the College of Nursing, but she should always do her best to maintain for the Association its own position and dignity. As two of its honorary officers, Dr. Bezly Thorne, the Chairman, and Mr. Comyns Berkeley, the Hon. Treasurer, have both accepted office on the compelled to own that a Board so constituted, to advise on highly specialised questions, such as the educational curriculum for the scientific profession of nursing, does not inspire us with much confidence. What does the average Poor Law Guardian know about Nursing Education?

For instance, we note that a Guardian who attended the recent meeting at St. Thomas' Hospital, in reporting the result to his Board, is reported to have made the astounding statement that "it" (the College) "was a movement to make nursing a close profession in the same way as the medical or legal profession. A certified nurse would require to have a certificate from the Royal College of Surgeons." The report was adopted !!



A REST HOUSE FOR BRITISH NURSES AT ABOUKIR. This building has been loaned to the Red Cross Society by Mr. George B. Alderson for use as a rest house for nurses at Aboukir.

College of Nursing, the former as a Vice-President and the latter as Hon. Treasurer, there should surely be some *modus vivendi* arranged between the two bodies, so that the nurse members of the R.B.N.A. who are registered under a Royal Charter shall receive consideration.

Many Boards of Guardians are responding to the invitation to nominate representatives on to the Consultative Board, to consist of 450 persons, in connection with the College of Nursing. From cuttings to hand, these are usually male members of the Board. We are The committee of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Dublin University Mission to Chota Nagpur, India, desire to make known that the mission is in urgent need of the services of two fully trained nurses. There is a large women's hospital, also district and dispensary work. The mission staff includes two fully qualified medical women. The climate is good. Those interested should apply to Miss Gwynn, Ashbrook, Clontarf, co. Dublin, for further information.

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