

paragraph in the circular which says:—"Nursing is as truly a profession as Medicine or Law—requiring, *in its way*, as arduous and complete a training, as absolute a devotion to duty, as Medicine and Law demand from their votaries;" thinking that these words are likely to give a Nurse a wrong idea of her relative position. I have underlined the words "in its way," as they are the key to the whole. The paragraph is a relative comparison, not including the educational, or the responsible, position of the Doctor, but pointing to the arduous and thorough work demanded of the Nurse and the devotion that must animate her in her calling, and there surely the cases are on all fours? In my speech at that meeting I laid great stress on the distinction that must always exist between the training of a Medical man and a Nurse, and tried to clear away any false idea that the term "Registration" would imply equality.

If all the Medical gentlemen in the various towns would show the same keen interest in this matter as did those of Sheffield, the Association would be much the gainer, especially if it meets with the same open and frank criticism; for this baby is not yet a year old, so that it cannot have cut all its wisdom teeth, and is certainly by no means too old to learn.—I am, Sir, yours,  
C. J. WOOD, Hon. Sec.

*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

Dear Sir,—In your article on "Libraries for Nurses," you invite Nurses to suggest any other books that may seem suitable. I think the following few would be good and valuable additions:—"Mrs. R. B. Browning's Poems"; "Adam Bede," by G. Eliot; "A Woman's Thoughts about Women," by Mrs. Craik; "Yeast," by Charles Kingsley; "Children of Gideon," by Walter Besant.—Yours truly,  
J. MONCKTON.  
Marden, Kent.

*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

Sir,—In reply to a letter on the question of Dispensing, I beg to say that it can be learned at the above address. Fee for instruction, £1 1s. per week, with board and residence; or £3 3s. for three months, without board, &c.

A certificate of proficiency will be given, either at the end of three months, or six months. Several have obtained the certificate.—Very faithfully yours,  
32, Lupus Street, S.W. G. DE G. GRIFFITH.

*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

Sir,—Seeing a letter in your last number from a correspondent, inquiring where dispensing can be learnt, may I suggest the South London School of Pharmacy, 325, Kennington Road, S.E.? The school is one for the regular training of Chemists. I myself took lessons there for three months, attending the Chemistry lectures, and working in the laboratory, but giving my attention chiefly to the pharmacy and dispensing; Mr. Dodd taking great pains with me, and giving me all the extra time and attention he possibly could.

I paid ten guineas for the course, for three months. Another lady came a little while before I left, and though by myself, I never met with anything but

kindness and civility from everyone connected with the school.

The autumn course opens about September 15; the next term, after Christmas. I enclose a prospectus for your correspondent, and would only add that the books really necessary are the British Pharmacopœia, and Dr. Muter's *Materia Medica*, and that I should be glad to answer any questions.—Believe me, yours truly,  
MARY FURLEY.

Salisbury Street, Hull.

[If our correspondent, "F.," will send us a stamped and addressed envelope, we will forward her the paper kindly sent by Miss Furley.—ED.]

*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

Sir,—Enclosed is a postal order for five shillings, as my first contribution to the "Nursing Record" Benevolent Fund, which has my best wishes for success. Allow me to suggest, that each member of the British Nurses' Association should contribute before Christmas, half-a-crown to the same Fund, as a token of her co-operation with the Association's desire to help Nurses.  
G. R. A.

Cromwell House, Dumfries.

[We heartily thank our correspondent for her kind contribution, but would call her attention to the Report of the British Nurses' Association, which appears in another column, and which shows that that body intends to institute a Benevolent Fund of its own. We think, therefore, that it would be best to hand any contributions we receive from our readers, to the managers of the Association's Fund. We, however, would strongly commend our correspondent's suggestion to every member of the Association.—ED.]

*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

Sir,—In the "Echoes" of the 4th inst. you mention an adjustable bed-tray, which I think will be just what I require. I shall be obliged if you will inform me where it is to be procured.—Yours, &c.,  
PRIVATE NURSE.

*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

Sir,—Young women are engaged by the Lady Superintendent of the Nursing Institution, 4, Devonshire Square, E.C., to be trained as Nurses. They are, I believe, bound to the Institution for three years and receive a salary, after which time they can continue to work in connection with it. I should advise "T. C." to apply to the Lady Superintendent, although if she is wise, she will enter some Hospital for a regular term of training, gain a certificate, and undertake private Nursing, when she is a thoroughly experienced Nurse.—Yours truly,  
EXPERIENCE.

\* \* \* A number of other communications, &c., not noticed in this issue will be dealt with when space permits.

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