

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—We have received so many inquiries upon the subject, that it would, we believe, save much time and trouble, if you would permit me, through your valuable and widely read Journal, to say that Her Royal Highness Princess Christian has named December 7th, as the evening upon which the British Nurses' Association shall hold its *Conversazione*; that it will take place at 9 p.m.; and that all who are members of the Association by that date, and express their desire to be present, will not only receive a card of invitation, but will have the privilege of obtaining cards for their friends by payment.—I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

October 27, 1888. CATHERINE J. WOOD.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—Can you or any of your readers give me information regarding the Hospitals in Queensland, Australia? I am desirous of going out as a Nurse.—Yours, &c.,

Oct. 21, 1888.

[We would advise our correspondent to apply in writing at once to Lady Samuel, 15, Courtfield Gardens, South Kensington, S.W., a letter from whom, upon this subject, we published in our issue of October 4.—ED.]

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Dear Sir,—Having just become an annual subscriber to the British Home for Incurables, I write to say that I shall be very pleased to give my two votes for the next election to my fellow-worker, Nurse Sarah Duyck. I have already written to some friends who have votes, but as yet have had only one reply. Unfortunately the lady has given away her votes for the next election, but says, should Mrs. Duyck be unsuccessful, she will remember her for the succeeding one.—I remain, faithfully yours,

Oct. 26, 1888. G. MAREDYDD HARRISON, Sister.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Dear Sir,—With reference to the case of Mrs. Duyck, I have secured votes from one of the donors, the only gentleman in this town, and passing the list to my vicar and other clerical friends and patients, who are likely to be able to secure more votes from friends.—Yours faithfully,

SISTER MARIAN.

[We thank our correspondents for their kind letters and assistance, and trust that their examples may be widely followed by our readers.—ED.]

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