

Each copy of that issue shall contain a slip of paper, so that each purchaser of that number will be able to vote for one of the cases on this list by writing her name thereon, and forwarding it by post to the Editor. The following issue of the journal shall contain the number of votes polled for each case, and that one which receives the largest number of proxies, will be adopted as the next case to be relieved by the Fund; and the readers of this journal will then be advised as to the method which seems most suitable for helping that particular case, and asked to unite in securing its speedy success.

CASE I.

Mrs. Sarah Duyck, aged 47, a widow. Has broken her leg so badly, that she will probably be a cripple for the rest of her life. Dislocated one shoulder some years ago, so that she is even unable to use her crutches for long at a time.

Proposed Method of Assistance.—To obtain an annuity of £20 a year from the British Home for Incurables. To do this at least 1,000 votes must be procured from subscribers to the Institution. Lists of subscribers can be obtained by sending eight stamps to the offices, 73, Cheapside, E.C.

Will every reader of this journal do what she or he can to obtain votes for this sad case—to assist, in however small a measure, to bear another's burden? Such help will be gratefully welcomed by the Editor, *Nursing Record*, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, London, E.C., and all subscriptions, &c., will be duly acknowledged.

CORRESPONDENCE

(Notes, Queries, &c.)

* * We do not hold ourselves responsible for opinions expressed by Correspondents. Brevity and conciseness will have first consideration. See Notices.

* * British Nurses' Association.—We are requested to state that Miss Wood (Hon. Sec.) will be at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W., every Wednesday, from 10.30 a.m. to noon, and at 7, St. George's Mansions, Red Lion Square, W.C., on each Friday until noon, to see Nurses or others who may wish to make inquiries.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

The Hon. Secretaries of the British Nurses' Association present their compliments to the Editor of the "Nursing Record," and would feel much obliged if he would allow them, through the medium of his widely-read journal, to remind members of the Association, that the annual subscriptions of all members who joined before October 1st, are due upon the 1st of January. Much trouble and expense would be saved if members would have the kindness to forward their subscriptions by postal order, crossed "Barclays & Co.," within the next few days, to the Hon. Secretaries, 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—Stays! Hardly an original subject, yet one may almost say perennial in its interest to our sex, so just another word concerning them. There is no doubt, or there ought not to be by this time, that we mean to stick to them, and considering that the majority of our sex are not fashioned on the majestic curves of the Venus of Milo, any more than the average man possesses the stature and muscles of an orthodox Apollo, there is no reason why they should be condemned to resemble in youth two planks nailed together, and in later life a sack of beans tied in the middle, because a small minority of foolish women will lace a most comfortable garment called stays too tight. No! let us continue to wear stays, but let us be more particular that they are cut on anatomical principles, boned with real whalebone, which is pliable, and with a very slight steel busk. Let them be cut wide and low round the bust, and fit short over the hips, and not around them, and let it be a rule to adjust the laces before fastening the stay, so that there is no temptation to twitch in after they are once on: Miss Foggo Thomson was good enough to recommend a desirable make of stays last week; I therefore venture to do the same. "The Esmeralda" stay, made by Mdlle. Esmeralda, of 1A, Clanricarde Gardens, Bayswater, will be found in every particular an excellent garment. It is comfortable and durable, and costs two guineas.—Yours, &c.,
MATRONA.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I feel sure Miss Mollett has written on a subject in your last week's issue, which, if her suggestion is carried into effect, will prove most interesting to Nurses. It is part of the Probationer's duty, in this Hospital, towards the end of their training, to take careful notes of the nursing of special cases, which I overlook. I feel sure it will be encouraging to them to have them published in your valuable paper.—Yours, &c.,
A COUNTRY MATRON.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I shall be greatly obliged if you will inform me, through your columns, what steps I should take to become a Lady Doctor. I live in the country, and have no one to consult concerning the matter.—Yours, &c.,
IGNORAMUS.

[We should advise you to see or write to Miss Heaton, Secretary to the London School of Medicine for Women, 30, Handel Street, Brunswick Street, W.C., from whom full information and prospectus are obtainable.—ED.]

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I hear on all sides of the Swedish system of "Sloyd." What does it mean? I write to you as I see you are good enough to interest yourself in women's work generally.—Yours, &c.,
A COUNTRY PRO.

[Miss Evelyn Chapman describes the meaning of "Sloyd" as "the ABC of technical education. No education is complete without a training of the eye and hand, and this is what 'Sloyd' supplies. It implants respect and love for the coarsest kinds of manual work; it develops activity, and fosters order, accuracy, cleanliness, attention, perseverance, and a sense of fame." A course of 'Sloyd' training for

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