

has no part. Another important clause, No. 12, is to the effect that the term of office of members of the Council shall be reduced from eight years to six, and that the system of substitute members, at present in vogue, shall be abolished. It is also laid down that no member of Council shall be eligible for re-election after serving for two consecutive periods of six years.

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At the meeting of the Hospital Sunday Fund, held at the Mansion House, among the new members of the Council recommended were—Lord KNUTSFORD in the place of Lord DERBY, Sir W. BROADBENT in the place of Sir ANDREW CLARK, Sir S. KNILL in the place of Sir POLYDORE DE KEYSER, Sir S. CROSSLEY, and Mr. C. T. RITCHIE. It was decided to hold Hospital Sunday on June 10th, 1894.

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ON Thursday, December the 16th, a Lecture will be delivered at the Sanitary Institute, Margaret Street, on Alkalis and Acids, by Professor WATSON SMITH, F.I.C., F.C.S., Lecturer on Chemical Technology in University College, London.

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It is proposed to erect a new building for the Queen Victoria's Nursing Institute at Wolverhampton, upon a site of land having frontages to the Bath and Albany roads.

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THE Committee of the Bristol Hospital for Sick Children and Women are asking the residents of Bristol, Clifton, and the neighbourhood to assist them in purchasing and fitting up premises at Weston-Super-Mare for the purposes of a home to which patients may be sent when convalescent, or for a change between serious operations. The amount asked for is only £1,500, a small sum as compared with the cost of some convalescent homes for children. As regards the necessity for such a home there can be no doubt, or of the benefit hundreds of little sufferers will derive from a visit there. We hope that there will be a ready response to the appeal.

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THE corporal punishment question in Board Schools is at last threshed out, and it is much to be regretted that the effort of Miss DAVENPORT HILL and Miss EVE, to get girls' schools excluded from the arrangement, allowing delegation of powers of punishment to assistants, was defeated. It is now time the mothers took up the question. In future, "cruel corporal punishment" will entail dismissal of the teacher, and head teachers are required to secure special caution in dealing with delicate and nervous children. Cuffs, boxes of the ear, shaking, and all irregular punishments are strictly forbidden, and particulars of every punishment must be entered in the books at once.

National Health Society,

President :—HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF WESTMINSTER, K.G.

This week has been an additionally busy one at the Society's offices, on account of the Medal examination, which took place on Thursday. Fifteen candidates entered for it. The examiners were—Dr. Willingham Gell, Mr. Owen Lankester, M.R.C.S., and Mr. John Gay, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. The result will be published later.

A lady student and member of our Society has sent us a most kind letter of recognition for the benefit she has received from attending the various courses of lectures. She writes as follows :—"I send a small donation for your Society, and the enclosed letter will explain how it was sent to me. I feel it is only right the National Health Society should have it, small though the amount is, as it was from its lectures that I gained the knowledge with which I was able to help my old friend. I am most grateful for the instruction I have received." The service this lady was able to render her friend, an old lady over 70, was one of "first aid" for an injured arm and severe shock to the system from a fall. When the medical man arrived upon the scene, he said his patient, humanly speaking, owed her life to the prompt and skilful treatment of her friend.

Miss Ravenhill commences a Course of "Homely Talks" at Peckham, for Mrs. Bicknell, on December 4th, at 3 p.m.

The Members of the "First Aid" Class at Mrs Jopling Rowe's, who wished to perfect their knowledge of bandaging, attending an extra demonstration lesson at the Society's lecture rooms December 1st, under the direction of Mrs. Dickson.

Miss Smith begins a course of six "Talks" on Nursing, at Mountnessing, next week, and on the 12th inst., Miss Ravenhill gives the first of six "Homely Talks," on the same subject, at the Factory Girls' Club, Women's Help Society, St. Peter's, Saffron Hill Branch.

We wish to thank the Editor for the attention she has drawn to the letter of "Lond. Univ.," in the *Pall Mall Gazette* of November 23rd. It has long been a source of great annoyance to the National Health Society that, not infrequently, "the ill-qualified young women," who are only too often employed to give Health Lectures, are supposed by the uninitiated to belong to this Society. The smallest knowledge of the system of training adopted by the Society would render this mistake impossible on the part of the public, and also the far graver error of engaging incompetent teachers by those in office.

NEW EMPLOYMENT for WOMEN.

NATIONAL HEALTH SOCIETY, 53, Berners-street, W.
In consequence of the new opening for educated Women Inspectors, as lately appointed by the Vestry of Kensington, the National Health Society will commence a SPECIAL COURSE of TRAINING LECTURES in January, 1894.

Those wishing to attend the classes should send in their names without delay to the Secretary, National Health Society, 53, Berners-

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