

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

MADAM,—The suggestion of a "Dilemma Corner" is excellent, and, I hope, will be well taken up. As an old and experienced Nurse I shall more often take it upon myself to offer rather than to ask for advice. May I submit to "Puzzled Nurse" a plan for restricting the doctor's smokes, which I have successfully adopted for many years? My practice lies chiefly in the country, and it is here that the difficulty is more often encountered. The newly-fledged assistant is generally an inveterate smoker. I have cured many of them of the habit of coming saturated with tobacco into a refined invalid's room by making, just before their visit terminated, a very ostentatious show of preparing and lighting some fragrant pastilles! It sets them thinking. The hint, broad enough in all conscience, does not often need repeating. May I sign myself
AN OLD HAND.

A BLACK SHEEP.

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MADAM,—Will you permit me to warn the public generally against a woman who professes to be a trained Nurse. She states that she is the niece of a lady well known in the nursing world, that she is Scotch, and that she only requires work until September, because her friends have paid £30 to one of our largest Hospitals to enable her to get more training, and that the Matron of the said Hospital is a great friend of hers, because her sister was Superintendent of the Hospital until her death. She pleads poverty, says she has no home, and that she has lately been in a Nursing Institution for six weeks and left because she received no money, only her food. Her statements having been proved untrue, I shall be pleased to give full particulars concerning her, and also her real or assumed name to any one who will call. In appearance she is untidy, of medium height, wears her hair (black) turned off her face, is fresh colored, and her teeth are bad. She will probably shew a certificate from Leeds.—Yours truly,
MAY JENNINGS.

Comments and Replies.

Probationer (Newcastle).—Certainly. Send a list of the books you want to the Manager, 376, Strand, W.C., and a postal order for the amount, and he will obtain them for, forward them to, you at once.

Stella.—Order the Nursing Directory—price 5s.—from the Manager, 376, Strand, W.C. It gives all the information you wish for concerning the training Schools for Nurses and their Regulations.

Miss Mollett.—Your letter shall appear, if possible, next week.

Nurse James, Miss Sarah Martin, Mrs. Turnbull, D.O.—You can obtain all information respecting the Royal British Nurses' Association by sending a stamped addressed envelope to the Secretary, 17, Old Cavendish Street, W.

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