

the Hospital should give their services to Governors and annual subscribers at a reduced fee—say 30s. instead of two guineas per week, especially in the case of long and tedious illness. The speaker, in consequence of ill-health, had had occasion to require several of the Nurses, and was highly satisfied with them, but had found the fee somewhat heavy.

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Lord SANDHURST objected to the proposal on the grounds (1) that those who subscribed should not expect to reap some advantage thereby; (2) that the proposal partook of a speculative character inasmuch as it was doubtful that such a reduction of fees would attract more subscribers; and (3) that it would result in a loss to the Nurse, who at present received a certain salary plus a percentage on what she earned for the Hospital; thus such a proposed arrangement would reduce the earning capabilities of the Nurse.—The Governors present took Lord SANDHURST'S view of the matter.—The Meeting was then concluded with the usual vote of thanks.

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The reporters present to the number of about 15 or 20 were then very kindly invited to lunch in the Medical College, and afterwards to go over the Hospital. But much amusement was caused when it was found that among their number were two lady-reporters. What to do with these was the question, no woman being allowed to darken the door of that College dining-room—unless, indeed, she enter in the capacity of waiter, in which case there is no objection to her. So these two forlorn creatures dined alone. But it was asserted afterwards that they enjoyed themselves quite as much as if no distinction had been made. A pleasant afternoon was spent going round the wards; indeed, it was declared that a Hospital would be a delightful place to spend a holiday in, provided always that plenty of up-to-date literature were provided, and that one was not too ill to read.

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THE London Building Act which has recently been passed, and which comes into operation on the 1st of January next, has a number of provisions with respect to the height and curtilage around buildings, as well as other matters that are of great sanitary importance. The Sanitary Institute has arranged for a discussion to be held at the Sessional Meeting, on December 12th, at 8 p.m., on "The Sanitary Aspects of the Act," to be opened by Dr. G. B. LONGSTAFF, Chairman of the Building Act Committee of the London County Council, when other members of the County Council, members of Local Boards and Vestries, and those officers who will be concerned in carrying out the provisions of the Act are expected to take part in the discussion.

The National Health Society.

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The Society is organising a course of popular lectures on Hygiene for *Children*, to be delivered by Dr. A. T. Schofield during the Christmas Holidays. The course will consist of four lectures, and will commence on Tuesday, January 8th, at 3.30 p.m., in the lecture room of the Society, 53, Berners Street, W. These lectures will be extremely attractive and interesting as well as instructive, and will be illustrated by magic lantern slides, diagrams, and experiments. The titles of the lectures will, in themselves, possess special fascination for young people, as the syllabus comprises such subjects as "Adventures under the Skin," "Travels inside a Head," "On the track of a Sandwich," etc. The fee for the course of four lectures will be 5s.

Sir Robert Rawlinson, K.C.B., presided at the fifth lecture of Mrs. Goslett's course on "Home Sanitation" on Wednesday last at Berners Street. The lecture was one of particular interest, dealing as it did with the subject of "Dangers from Milk." Mrs. Goslett spoke very strongly of the practical impossibility of obtaining pure milk in London, and endeavoured to impress her audience with the absolute necessity of having all milk *boiled* before use. At the close of the lecture Sir Robert Rawlinson and Sir William Priestley both spoke in high appreciation of the lecturer's eloquence and also of the manner in which she had dealt with the subject in question. Sir Robert Rawlinson further spoke of the sanitary condition of London, dwelling on its efficiency in this subject at the present time, as compared with that of bygone years. At the conclusion of Sir Robert's speech, Mr. Arthur Arnold (Alderman of the London County Council) rose and endorsed all the preceding remarks.

The Committee of the National Health Society is contemplating the adoption of a Nursing uniform for all its lecturers. It is felt that some confusion may be saved, and trouble prevented in the future, if all lecturers working under the auspices of the Society have a uniform dress in addition to the little red badge which has hitherto been their only distinctive ornament. Particulars of the dress have not as yet been arranged, but it is hoped that the matter will shortly be settled, to the satisfaction of all.

The courses of lectures now being delivered by Miss A. Kenealy, in the Isle of Wight, are under the auspices of the Society, the County Council having applied to the Society for her services. Miss Kenealy is one of the Society's best lecturers, and she has worked for the Society for some years. Her services are constantly sought by County Councils, etc., and success meets her at all points. She has already several engagements with the Society for the New Year, and will commence a short course at Chippenham on December 10th.

Dr. Edward Squire will conduct an Examination on Nursing at New Barnet on the afternoon of Tuesday, December 5th, and on the evening of that day will examine a class on First Aid at the same place. The

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