

Nursing Echoes.

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WE specially desire to draw the attention of our readers to the list of Lectures and the Syllabus arranged to be given under the auspices of the Royal British Nurses' Association, the details of which are to be found in the official column.

THE second Sessional Lecture, which will be delivered on January the 18th inst., entitled, "Private Nursing," cannot fail to interest the members. Mrs. GRAY, the Lecturer, who has lately, upon her marriage, come to reside in London, is better known as Miss MABEL HASTINGS, who was trained and certificated at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and was lately the Matron of the Chalmer's Hospital at Edinburgh.

It is hoped that a large gathering of those interested in the future of Nursing in our Poor Law Infirmaries will make a point of being present on Thursday, the 17th inst., at the Medical Society's Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, when Miss MOLLETT, Matron of the Royal South Hants Infirmary, and late Matron of the Chelsea Poor Law Infirmary, will read a Paper before the Matrons' Council upon "Infirmary Matrons under the Poor Law," after and upon which free discussion is invited. Tickets to non-members will be 1s. each, and can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. ANDREWS, 22, Cheyne Gardens, Chelsea, or at the door. Uniform or evening dress will be worn, and tea and coffee will be served in the Library after the meeting.

THE photographs taken at the R.B.N.A. Bazaar, under the direction of Messrs. GOODYER, 174, Regent Street, are excellent; the portrait of Her Royal Highness the President being especially good. Many happy likenesses have also been caught of the stall-holders at the Private Nurses' Stall. These photographs can only be obtained from Messrs. Goodyer, and our readers can gain all information as to the sizes and prices by writing to the firm at the above address.

THE Monthly Meeting of the Committee of the Registered Nurses' Society took place at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, on Tuesday, the 8th inst., when a

most satisfactory report was presented by the Hon. Superintendent, Mrs. BEDFORD FENWICK. Several new members were elected.

WE have received several letters during the past week from some of the leading masseuses in London, asking our opinion concerning the formation of an Association of qualified operators in massage for the purpose of obtaining a system of registration of these workers. We would reply that we consider the formation of such an Association eminently desirable; but we also state very emphatically that no such Association can possibly succeed and obtain public confidence unless the medical men, who employ massage, will help to organize the Association and will act upon the Committee. A Society formed upon any other lines is certain to fail.

A DRAMATIC Entertainment, in aid of the funds of the Home of Rest for Nurses at Brighton, will be given at Queen's Gate Hall, 42, Harrington Road, South Kensington, on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 24th and 25th, 1895, on which occasion the original Comedy Drama in 3 Acts, entitled "Alone," by J. Palgrave Simpson and Herman C. Merivale, will be performed under the direction of Mr. HERBERT JAMES; preceded by "Palmistry," a Comedietta in one Act, by Ralph Lumley. Doors open at 8 p.m. Commence at 8.30 p.m. Carriages 11 p.m. Prices of Admission: Stalls, 7/6; Reserved Seats, 5/-; Unreserved, 2/6. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. BEDFORD FENWICK (Hon. Secretary of the Home of Rest), 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W.; Mrs. DAVID CARMICHAEL, 16, Grenville Place, S.W.; Mrs. GUBBINS, 119, Queen's Gate, S.W.; and Miss DAISY ROBINS, 18, St. Stephen's Square, Bayswater.

It was recently stated in these columns that the Chairman of the Select Committee of the House of Commons which inquired into the proposed Registration of Midwives was a near relative of a leading member of the Midwives' Institute. Miss WILSON, the President of that Institute, informs us, in a letter which appears in another column this week, that this was not correct. We are so well aware of the intimate connection between the Midwives' Institute and the Select Committee in question, that we can easily credit that the President of the former, knows all the relatives of the Chairman of the latter, body. We, therefore, accept Miss WILSON's statement, and, as in duty bound, express our regret that even a verbal inaccuracy should have appeared in our columns. But now that the question has been raised—and noting Miss WILSON's accurate acquaintance with the family of the Chairman—we would assert, without any fear of contradiction, that the most prominent

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