

Parliament in demanding that no body of persons, however estimable, shall issue a "Diploma" in Midwifery which might mislead the public into believing that persons holding such a Diploma were legally "qualified to act as midwives," in the sense that a Midwifery Diploma from a medical corporation "qualifies" a medical practitioner.—ED.]

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Miss Bowers, Kensington.—The spring course of lectures have just come to an end, but we shall give notice in these columns of any future course which may take place in the autumn, when we should strongly advise you to attend. In the meantime go through a course of cooking lessons in a good school.

Miss Linden, Liverpool.—Your friends have no redress, but as you find the Nurse incompetent—and she owns she is a Probationer at the institution to which you applied for a *trained Nurse*—it might do good if you refused to pay the fees charged. We doubt the institution instituting legal proceedings to recover the fees, but if they did, the publicity given to the case would do an immense amount of good both for Nurses and the public. We do not consider the Nurse to blame; she is ignorant from lack of training, and we consider has been placed in a very unjust position by the authorities who sent her out to nurse in a private house upon her own responsibility.

Miss J. Newton, Bristol.—We cannot agree with you. The organization of Nursing as a profession, cannot naturally be of the same personal interest to a layman as it is to a Nurse. In the past women have been "done for," and have only recently begun to be inspired by the spirit which produced the great guilds and unions of men, but we are improving, and with co-operation the *feline* characteristics will decrease.

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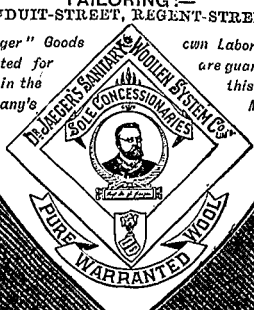
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