

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Nurse Atkinson.—It would be very inadvisable for you to allow your name to appear in an unofficial Directory. Apart from the unprofessional aspect of the case, your name put side by side with Probationers would place you on the level of a "semi-trained Nurse." No Nurses who value professionalism should forget the fight that has been fought to raise their standard, and this standard can only be maintained by the determination of each *individual* to do her part. An army is made up of units, and victories are won only by the efforts of individual soldiers. And so the Battle of the Nurses will be to the strong and united individuals who are determined that no single action of theirs shall bring discredit on their colours. To allow your name to appear in a Directory issued by a secret committee would be to seriously lower the professional standard we have sought so long to uprear.

M.R.B.N.A.—We quite agree with you that it is a most excellent step on the part of the R.B.N.A. to add from year to year to the Register the further posts and rewards reaped by the members of the Corporation. It has long been felt unsatisfactory, on consulting the Register, to find only the details to date of registration. We shall be able now to trace the Nurse's career and promotion from year to year, thus adding much to the value of the Register to Nurse and public alike, and at less expense to the Corporation than issuing two publications.

Superstition.—The superstition you allude to is the one still prevalent among the working classes, that if the Nurse keeps a pin which she uses in dressing an infant for the first

time, and makes a present of it to any girl, that girl will almost immediately receive an offer of marriage. So it behoves one to be careful of these pins, lest sad havoc to hearts be made by their agency! We are sorry not to be able to give you the origin of this curious one among so many prevalent superstitions.

M.H.—We cannot imagine that it is contemplated to alter the *name* of the Register into a Directory. Any such attempt upon the part of the officials would meet with a very determined opposition upon the part of the Members, who regard Registration as the *raison-d'être* of the Association, and who have *paid* for the privilege of placing their names on a public Register. Write to the Office upon the matter.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

- B. Miss Bowers, Leamington. Miss Mary Blissett, London (with enclosure).
- C. Miss C. Cameron, Liverpool (with enclosure). Miss Carr, Derby (with enclosure).
- F. Miss M. Fisher, London. Miss Franks, London.
- G. Miss Griffiths, London (with enclosure). Mrs. Gordon, London (with enclosure). Miss Gillett, Brisbane (with enclosure).
- H. Miss Homersham, London. Miss Harrington, London. Mrs. G. Highton (with enclosure).
- M. Miss L. Mollett, Hanover (with enclosure). Miss Moss, Nottingham. Miss Minks (with enclosure).
- P. Miss Power, Leicester. Miss Prince, Brighton. Miss A. Pattison, Philadelphia.
- R. Mrs. Rose, London (with enclosure).
- S. Miss G. Somers, Paris (with enclosure). Miss A. Stevens, Manchester. Miss Amy Sullivan, Dublin (with enclosure).

PUBLISHER'S NOTICES.

CASES FOR BINDING Half-yearly Volumes of THE NURSING RECORD, post free, 1/6 each.

Complete Volumes of THE NURSING RECORD.—Vol. I., 8/6; II., 5/6; III., 5/6; IV., 5/6; V., 5/6; VI., 5/6; VII., 5/6; VIII., 4/-.

Carriage to be paid by Purchaser.

Indexes 2d. each, post free.

Back Numbers over Twelve Months old, 6d. each, post free.

Reader's Own Volumes bound complete 2/6 each.

Remittances in all cases must be made when ordering.

Address the Manager,
"THE NURSING RECORD,"
 11, ADAM STREET, STRAND, W.C.

NOTICE!

Owing to complaints having been received from our Readers that they are unable to get the NURSING RECORD in the following Districts, we append a list of Booksellers from whom the journal can be obtained:—

WEST DISTRICT.

COSTER, 65 and 67, Weymouth Street.
 M. A. BAILEY, Paddington Street.
 — BURCH, 52, Great Marylebone Street.
 W. LEE, 248, Great Portland Street.
 G. WEAVER, 157, Great Portland Street.

SOUTH-WEST DISTRICT.

C. O. BLICK, 76, Bridge Road.

EAST DISTRICT.

Mrs. BERNSTEIN, 206, Whitechapel Road.
 G. EADES, 219, Whitechapel Road.
 W. MOIR, 57, Cambridge Road.

[previous page](#)

[next page](#)