

in appealing to Nurses to exercise their sense of duty and justice, and not to inflict such a risk on their hard-worked sisters as to go straight from a scarlet fever case to a Home for rest and health gathering.

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FROM the *Macclesfield Advertiser* we cull the following interesting item of news:—

“Another surprise in connection with Infirmary affairs in Macclesfield has just been sprung upon those interested in the doings of that Institution, but it is one of a pleasant nature—namely, the rumoured approaching marriage of the Matron, Miss Bowman, to one of the Governors of the Infirmary. We do not hear that Miss Bowman has yet tendered her resignation, but it is expected that she will do so at no very distant date.”

So it was that naughty Master Cupid who inspired the editor of the *Courier* in his somewhat violent attacks upon the NURSING RECORD. We feel that every allowance must be made for him under the circumstances.

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WE have to acknowledge with thanks the following subscriptions for the Nurses' Home of Rest at Brighton:—Lady Samuel, £1 1s.; Mr. S. G. Holland, £1 1s.; The Countess of Lonsdale, £1.

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OUR readers will readily understand that for the next six months, owing to the preparations necessary for the opening of the Nursing Exhibition, our time will be very fully occupied. We beg therefore to state that as we can enter into no arrangement with Nurses desirous of joining the Registered Nurses' Society until they have been passed by the Registration Board, it will save mutual time and trouble if candidates will not call upon us at 12, Holles Street until they are eligible.

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THE Barton-on-Humber Nursing Association, of which Miss Dannatt is Hon. Superintendent, in issuing its ninth annual report, appeals for more funds to carry on its good work. The committee fears, unless subscriptions increase, that they will have to curtail their gifts of food and milk to the sick poor. One of the good features about this Association is the instruction given in the families of the sick, on sick cookery, the making of beef-tea, &c.

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THE Lincolnshire Nursing Association, in its second annual report gives a most encouraging account of the work accomplished. Its growth in so short a time has been most vigorous and its methods are excellent. The only point we would wish to see an alteration in, is the extension of the period of training given to the Nurses. The County Council Hos-

pital Scholarships must be extended to the necessary three years. It is most important that all work done under the Technical Education scheme should be thorough. And we hope representations will be made to the various County Councils to raise the standard of training.

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THE Lincolnshire Nursing Association owes its position to the enthusiasm and energy of Lady Winchelsea, who has worked indefatigably in the good cause. The minimum qualification is: (a) Training for at least a year in an approved Hospital or Infirmary, and at least six months in District work; or (b) Approved training for at least six months as Midwives and Monthly Nurses, with L.O.S. certificate.

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MISS Peter, the Inspector of the Queen's Institute, has visited all the districts where the Nurses are at work and has reported that “altogether, Lincolnshire is extremely satisfactory.” All the Nurses appear to be most popular with their patients as shown by various reports from the villages. “One old lady who was much against the Nurse was very glad to have her when she was ill.”

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ONE Nurse writes: “I am glad to be busy; if I had no work I should be miserable. As it is, I am very happy, and would not change places with the Queen!” In most cases small payments are made for the Nurses' services, and this is certainly in the right direction.

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THE Nurses in nine of the Districts, and others whose course is not yet finished, have been or are being trained under the County Council Scholarships. These Nurses are not, of course, fully trained, but for thorough teaching in one branch, and excellent preliminary instruction in General Nursing, these scholarships are invaluable. It would have been impossible for the Association, without this assistance, to provide the funds necessary for commencing the education of so large a number of Nurses. In cases where it is desirable, when the District wishes it, and the Nurse herself shows aptitude for her profession, it is often possible to arrange for further training.

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ALL the Nurses who have been trained under County Council Scholarships were invited by the President to assemble at Haverholme Priory this year, and a very pleasant and useful gathering took place. It is hoped that next

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