

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

THE letters received by the Royal British Nurses' Association will appear next week.

Rural Nurse.—If you were to apply to the Nottinghamshire Rural and Urban Trained Nursing Association, or to the Lincolnshire Rural Nursing Association, you might possibly hear of an opening. These two Associations prefer to train their own Nurses for the work, but as you have been so long engaged in cottage Nursing they might possibly have a suitable position for you. We agree with you that a higher type of woman than is generally employed for such work would be very desirable, but it is so difficult to raise funds in country parts, and of course the more highly educated and trained women expect to be better paid.

Nurse Roberts.—Mrs. Fenwick's Practical Demonstration on the "Nursing of Cases of Operation on the Intestinal Canal" will take place on Thursday, the 27th, at 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, at 8 p.m. We think you are right in making use of every opportunity of increasing your professional knowledge.

Infirmiry Probationer.—One cannot help sympathising with the natural objection you feel to "wearing other people's clothes"—that is to say, adopting a uniform that has been worn by a Nurse predecessor. But it is the rule in some Infirmaries that Nurses shall wear the uniforms which have been used before—sometimes only for a month, it is true. We must confess that it is not a pleasant idea, but the feeling of disgust is somewhat mitigated by the fact that the clothes have been thoroughly washed. To ask a Nurse to wear a non-washable uniform that had been previously worn would, of course, be out of the question. At the same time, we do not approve of clothing being handed down from one generation of Nurses to another, and think the solution of the difficulty is much better met by arranging

that the Nurses who have been provided with uniform and leave almost immediately, shall contribute something to the cost of the materials and shall thus become the owners.

Miss G. Longman, Manchester.—Apply to the Lady Superintendent, Children's Hospital, Pendlebury.

Miss Daly, Dublin.—Please send sketch of article you mention; if too large, could you not have a model made for exhibition.

Miss C. Anderson, Newcastle-on-Tyne.—Order the "Nursing Directory," price 5s., from the NURSING RECORD Office, 11, Adam Street, Strand; in it you will find all the information you require. Twenty-three is the usual age for admission into an adult Hospital. In the meantime study cooking, anatomy and physiology.

Miss A. G., London.—We should recommend you to wait. There is no vacancy at the Registered Nurses' Society at present.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

- A. Miss Sarah Allen, London (with enclosure).
- B. Miss Bristow, London (with enclosure). Miss Beatty, London (with enclosure).
- C. Miss G. Carew, Cape Town.
- F. Miss Flower, London. Miss Fisher, London (with enclosure.)
- G. Mrs. Gordon, London (with enclosure).
- H. Miss Howe, Cashel (with enclosure). Miss Hunt, London.
- K. Miss A. Kelly, Roscommon (with enclosure).
- L. Miss Lowe, London. Miss Mary Lawson, Edinburgh (with enclosure).
- M. Miss Monk, Buxton. Miss M. Mollett, Southampton (with enclosure). Miss L. Mollett, Hanover (with enclosure).
- P. Miss Henrietta Poole, Blackburn. Miss Power, Oxford.
- S. Miss E. G. Saunders, London.

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