

## Comments and Replies.

### REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*Miss G. Dunlop, Southsea.*—The Royal Military Benevolent Funds grants Annuities up to £40 to the widows and unmarried daughters of officers of the Army and Royal Marines; apply to Mrs. Ellis Williams, Hon. Secretary, 40, Bedford Square, W.C. It is probable that if your sister is a well-qualified Nurse (three years' training in a general Hospital), that she would be placed upon the list of candidates for the Army Nursing Service; the daughters of soldiers would probably have interest.

*Mrs. Garnett, London.*—Try St. Mary Magdalen's House of Mercy, Paddington.

*Miss Emily Stone, Windsor.*—Order the "Nursing Directory," price 5s.; it is just published, and you will find all the information you require concerning the various Training Schools. You will probably have to wait for admittance to a first-class Training School.

*Miss A. S., Dulwich.*—The London Hospital, E., has instituted a course of Preliminary Training for Nurses. Enquire before signing any contract if the whole three years' training is given in the wards of the Hospital, otherwise you would be disqualified for Registration. All Nurses entering a Hospital for training should be careful to acquaint themselves with the regulations under which they are engaged.

*Miss G. Wade, Birmingham.*—We have never opposed the principle of Registration of Midwives in this paper, but in our opinion a midwife should signify a thoroughly qualified Nurse, taking out a thorough and lengthened experience in midwifery and monthly Nursing as a special branch of her work; and if registered she should be registered as such, under the title of Midwifery or Obstetric Nurse, and be under the professional control of medical men. We object to the principle of a midwife being an independent special practitioner—without the necessary education. A woman

should either be registered as a medical practitioner or as a qualified Nurse.

*Miss Agnes Phillips, London.*—We are convinced that the sympathetic co-operation amongst American and Canadian Matrons will result in rapid strides for the advancement of the nursing of the sick; this desirable result can be obtained by no other means, and we have little doubt that, inspired by this helpful spirit, the American Nursing Schools must take the lead in our profession, unless we emulate their good example. I am glad you appreciate the RECORD, and are not surprised that you are proud of your compatriots.

### LETTERS RECEIVED.

- b. Miss Margaret Breay, Fleet (with enclosure).
- c. Miss Cross, London (with enclosure).
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- g. Mrs. Gordon, London (with enclosure). Miss Goodin, London. Mrs. Garnett, London.
- h. Miss Alice Hildred, Barton-on-Humber.
- j. Miss Joyce, Yarborough. Miss C. Jones, Cardiff (with enclosure).
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- p. Miss Lillian Parmiter, Nottingham (with enclosure). Miss Agnes Phillips, London.
- r. Miss Row, London. Miss Ramsay, Aberdeen (with enclosure). Miss C. Robinson, Newport.
- s. Miss Stevenson, Grimsby. Miss Selby, Leicester (with enclosure). Miss Emily Stone, Windsor. Miss A. S., Dulwich.
- t. Miss Trueman, Indianapolis, U.S.A. Miss H. Turner, Pendlebury.
- y. Miss Yates, Kimberley, S.A. (with enclosure).
- w. Miss G. Wade, Birmingham.

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