

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

G. F. D.—We are often asked the question you send, as to whether "a year's training—but no certificate," in a Canadian or Colonial Hospital is of any value in England, and our reply must always be in the negative. The time has gone by for the one-year system, and rightly so. If you intend to have a Hospital or Nursing career in England your proper course is to enter a good recognised Training School with a three years' standard. Make every inquiry, and be quite sure that the certificate you will receive at the completion of your term is one that will carry weight with committees from whom you may gain an appointment, or with the medical men for whom you may do private work. Your year is not "wasted" as you appear to think; many Matrons give preference to candidates who have already been in Hospital, they are much more efficient than quite "raw" material, and your first year will have taught you how to learn.

Nurse Elkins.—We do not know if more Nurses are needed for the small-pox patients at Gloucester. But if you wish to volunteer, your best plan would be to write to the Superintendent of the District Nursing Association.

St. John's Ambulance Student.—We quite agree with your views as to the impropriety of Ambulance pupils appearing in public in the guise of Hospital Nurses, and you will find the matter dealt with in "Echoes." It would be wise for the Director to mention the matter in the Annual Report, as the custom is becoming very common. We hope the very public way in which *bona-fide* Nurses were burlesqued at Aldershot will have the effect of calling attention to the growing practice of "Lecture-manufactured Nurses."

Miss D., York.—We have sent on your letter to the advertiser in question. The editorial and advertisement departments

are quite separate, and we had not seen it before it was in print. We think the firm will take some measures to effect an alteration. Thanks for your letter.

T. S.—We do *not* hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our correspondents, and we are always anxious to give both sides of every question; but we can under no circumstances publish a letter without having for our own satisfaction the name and address of the writer.

"Ida."—We shall be pleased to hear what inventions you have for exhibition. All articles will be taken the utmost care of. Patents can only be applied for and obtained from the Patent Office in Chancery Lane, London.

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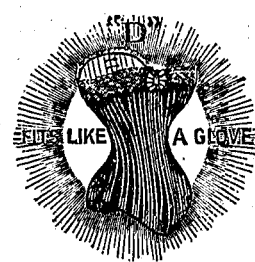
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