

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Mrs. Bainbridge, Manchester.—We think the case you mention could be suitably brought before the After-care Association for poor persons discharged from Asylums for the Insane. Write for information to the secretary, Mr. H. Thornhill Rexby, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, London, S.W. As you say, such work as yours must bring you face to face with many of life's tragedies.

Miss A. G. Smith.—Arrangements for nursing at Nice during the season, are generally made in the early autumn, when many of the Superintendents of Nursing Institutions on the Riviera come to town to make up their staffs for the winter. It would be wise to make your application now, so that a personal interview might be arranged later on.

"Festina Lente."—Your theoretical and practical training should certainly qualify you to undertake the County Council lecturing that you are anxious to get. But some general training in an adult hospital would be necessary if you desire to add to your special teaching on the nursing and care of children, and Maternity work. Without knowing you, it is of course impossible to say whether you have the faculty which would lead you to be a successful Lecturer. You need a gift of eloquence, and the faculty of clothing facts about health—which are not in themselves interesting—in a bright, popular, and "taking" way. We have often seen Lecturers reading an essay-like and didactic sermon on health, to village women, whose lack-lustre eyes and weary faces testified to the fact that this kind of teaching did not reach their needs. A Lecturer, to be a success, must be conversant with the homes and daily lives of the working

classes, and be prepared to teach them to use the materials they have at hand. If you are familiar with slums and poor neighbourhoods, district work, etc., and have "some gifts of speech," apply to the Technical Instruction Committee of the London County Council, Spring Gardens, S.W., or call and see Miss Pycroft there.

Miss Sidney Browne, Woolwich.—Many Thanks.

Miss Bowers, Blackpool.—Obtain the "Nursing Directory," price 5s. In it you will find the regulations of the different Training Schools for Nurses. If possible, enter for a three years' course of training, and where your services will not be utilised during that time in private Nursing.

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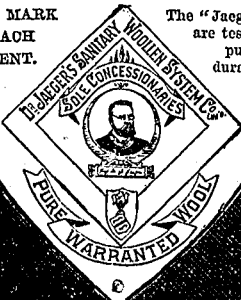
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