

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

In the report of Mrs. Fenwick's remarks *re* Indian Army Nursing Service, a slight inaccuracy occurs on page 245 of last week's issue. It should have read—"Mrs. Bedford Fenwick said, as *late* Matron of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, she took part in recommending several Sisters for pioneer work in India, and she had been warmly interested in their work and in communication with some of these ladies from time to time ever since."

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Nurse Rogers.—We have frequently advocated the protection of a Nurse's uniform. And no doubt this will follow soon on State Registration. But we must not be too much in a hurry—a fault women are constantly, and with truth, being accused of. We must remember that it is only by a very recent Act that British soldier's uniforms have been protected. Perhaps you saw recently the case of a man charged with bringing the Queen's uniform into contempt, by masquerading in the dress of a Highland regiment. The penalty was £5. We hope with you that the time will come when a similar penalty will be exacted from those who bring the Nursing uniform into contempt.

Miss Brewer.—Of course it gives us pleasure to be of use to our readers, and to give them such professional advice as they may stand in need of. And we feel that the Reply column is a pleasant, friendly medium, through which we may approach our readers, who, otherwise, might be as strangers. But we hardly feel called upon to settle the question of "whether it is better for a Hospital Sister to take only breakfast and dinner, or should she have luncheon between?" It must largely depend on the individual, her temperament and habits. Hospital breakfast is not usually so substantial that one either feels inclined or able to dispense with a more or less good luncheon. And it is generally taken so early that the worker should be quite ready for a good meal at mid-day. Speaking generally, women-workers are apt to eat too little rather than to err on the other side. And we should certainly be inclined to persuade the average Hospital Sister to take both luncheon and dinner, and as much of both as she can conveniently digest!

Miss Amy Stone, Manchester.—We regret we have not space to answer all the questions in your letter; it would require a column. Obtain the "Nursing Directory," price 5s., from the NURSING RECORD Office, 11, Adam Street, Strand, in which you will find all the information you require. We advise you to enter a training school where you will be able to obtain a certificate after a three years' course of training. It is probable you will have to wait for a vacancy.

Miss Reed, Wakefield.—We will forward the letter.

Nurse Wickens, Weston-super-Mare.—We will communicate with the correspondent you mention.

Mr. George Howard, London.—Please send present address to Editor, 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W.

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