

Comments and Replies.

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Mrs. Tennant, Salisbury.—Obtain the "Nursing Directory," price 5s., from the NURSING RECORD Office, 11, Adam Street, Strand. It contains all the information you require.

Mrs. Allan.—The Women's International Progressive Union is at 96, Crawford Street, London, W. If you write or apply you will get all the information you seek.

Miss Alice Manvers.—No, those days have gone by. Lady pupils are still taken at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, but no certificate is granted for a less term than the regular three years' course. Miss Cureton is too excellent a Matron to countenance "lady pupils being presented to Sisterships after only one year." Lady-pupils must go through their three years' "grind" like other ordinary mortals.

Miss Brown.—Training in Massage may be obtained at the West End Hospital, 75, Welbeck Street, W. If you apply personally or by letter you will learn all particulars. We understand the training is by no means costly.

Scotch Nurse.—Your best plan would be to write to the Secretary of the Glasgow Sick Poor and Private Nursing Association at the Home, Bath Street, Glasgow.

Miss E. Whitley.—It would be most unwise for you to go to Malta as "a monthly Nurse" merely from answering an advertisement for such a Nurse. You say you "know nothing whatever of the people who have engaged you, and they have asked you to advance the passage money, promising to refund it on your arrival." We should advise you to make searching enquiries before embarking on such an enterprise. The English Consul at Malta would, no doubt, institute some enquiry as to the social position and standing of your to-be patient. There will be plenty of time if you write at once to him, to get this necessary information, as you are not to start till the middle of January.

Miss A. Boyton.—The London Temperance Hospital is, so far as we know, the only Hospital where strict abstinence from alcohol is the rule. But, even here, we believe exceptions *have* been made. We certainly think you are wrong in starting your career as a Nurse on such bigoted lines as to "refuse absolutely, at any time to administer alcohol in any form to a patient." There is such a thing as discipline to be thought of—and we hope you will learn in the course of your training that it is the duty of a Nurse to administer any course of treatment a doctor prescribes. It is not your province to criticise and allow your prejudices to interfere with treatment and Nursing. Suppose you were to carry your scruples to a logical conclusion you might begin to include opium in your list of things you "would not administer." There might be added ether, which is as much a stimulant as is brandy. You will do better to enter the Nursing profession in a broader-minded attitude than you at present seem to have attained.

Miss Andrews, Birmingham.—If you apply to the Secretary of the Highbury Tourist Club, 36, Compton Terrace, London, N., you will receive particulars of the pleasant Co-operative Educational Tours of which you have heard. Arrangements are being made for a Christmas tour to the Riviera, leaving on December 22nd, with a week at Nice, for the small sum of ten guineas. Several persons who have gone on these tours have expressed to us their pleasure and satisfaction with the charming holidays they have spent. And to Hospital Nurses—who as a rule are by no means millionaires—it is an advantage to know how foreign travel and change may be obtained at a moderate expenditure. Nurses as a class are particularly fond of travel; one meets them in summer, all through Switzerland, the Tyrol and Norway. But only the favoured few can afford to take these trips, unless they join in excursions under the co-operative system. And this plan ensures congenial companionship and the absence of the worries and troubles attendant on travels in unknown places where "strange tongues" are talked.

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