

HOSPITAL INTELLIGENCE.

REPORTS OF INSTITUTIONS, ETC., COMMUNICATED
AND COLLECTED.

At the meeting of the Ladies' Sub-committee of the Crediton Sick Nurse Association held on Thursday at Mrs. Budge's, Lady Shelley presiding, the Nurses' statement of work was read as follows:—January, cases, thirty-five; cured, six; visits paid, six hundred and eighty-nine. February, cases, thirty-four; cured, four; died, one; removed to Union, one; visits paid, four hundred and seventy-nine. March, cases, thirty-nine; cured, four; relieved, one; died, ten; visits paid, six hundred and fourteen. The services of the Nurse, and the resources of this excellent association, have been greatly appreciated, much sickness having prevailed.

THE Bromhead Institution for Nurses has a good record of its doings for the past year, over five hundred cases having been visited by the staff, for whom a Home of Rest has been provided at a cost of about two thousand pounds. One of the most interesting features of the report is the following piece of information. An excellent portrait of the late Lady Superintendent, painted by Mr. Lockhart Bogle, has been presented to the Institution by the past and present Nurses, and hangs in one of the sitting-rooms of the Red House. The picture bears the following inscription:—"This picture of Mrs. Anne Fector Bromhead, Founder and Lady Superintendent of the Institution for Nurses, Lincoln, was presented by the Nurses of the Institution, in reverent and grateful memory, and as a token of affectionate respect for their present Lady Superintendent, her daughter, Miss Henrietta Bromhead.—Lincoln, October, 1888." A handsome brass tablet, the work of Messrs. Hardman, Birmingham, has also been placed in the house, with the following inscription:—"In memory of Annie Fector Bromhead, the Founder and for twenty years Lady Superintendent of the Lincoln Nursing Institution, this house was built by the contributions of grateful friends, as a Sanatorium and House of Rest for Nurses.—A.D. MDCCCLXXXVII." Only two hundred and seventy-five pounds is required to make the committee happy, and to enable them to wipe out the deficit.

THE twenty-second annual report, for 1888, of the Institution of Trained Nurses for the Town and County of Lincoln has just reached us, and alludes to the retirement, on account of ill-health, of Miss Slade, the Lady Superintendent, and the appointment of Miss Tanner to the post. Funds are rather low, there being a deficiency of £137 4s.

11d. A useful work has, however, been done, as may be judged by the following:—The number of Nurses at the close of the year was as follows, viz.: Twenty-seven Nurses, fully trained, of whom seven are Certificated Monthly Nurses; seven District Nurses fully trained; four Probationers being trained; total, thirty-eight, being an increase of one as compared with the previous year. Four Nurses have left during the year, one has died, one married, one removed to another Institution, and one has commenced Nursing on her own account. Two hundred and thirty-six cases of Private Nursing, and thirty-eight monthly cases, have been attended during the year, being less by sixteen than in the previous year. The District Nursing, which is gratuitously rendered to the sick poor, has been successfully carried on under the able superintendence of the ladies, the Nurses thus engaged have given great satisfaction to those who have benefited by their kind and unwearied exertions, and it is hoped that some day, before very long, the large and rapidly increasing districts just outside the borough may be privileged to share in similar advantages.

THE Nurses' Home, West Malling, Kent, earned in March £123 1s. Lady Isabel Bligh sent a donation of twenty pounds, and it was decided to take a house, No. 12, Melsom Terrace, for the future home for the Nurses at Tunbridge Wells.

NOTES ON USEFUL PREPARATIONS,
INVENTIONS, NOVELTIES, &c.

NESTLE'S FOOD.—This is an elegant, carefully manufactured preparation, which we cannot too highly recommend. It is made from the choice milk from Swiss cows (which are perhaps unequalled for the richness of their milk); to this is added a little sugar, and some wheat-flour the insoluble parts of which have been excluded by a special process of baking. From personal and practical experience we can bear full testimony to its value for the purpose for which it is intended, and those who seek a highly nutritious food for children or invalid adults, cannot possibly improve upon it. Its large sale is a sufficient guarantee for its "freshness," and where there is any doubt or difficulty in obtaining perfectly fresh cow's milk—and here in London there undoubtedly is—we would strongly recommend a trial of this food, and last, but not least, a perusal of the sensible pamphlets, "Which is the Best Food for Infants?" and "A few Remarks on the Feeding of Infants," both of which contain some very startling information and some sound common-sense hints. The depot is at 9, Snow Hill, E.C.

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