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Comments and Replies.

Uncertain, S. Wales.—You will be wise to obtain a three years' certificate for general training before taking up any special branch of nursing. It is always well to put the general training before the special.

Private Nurse.—Buttered eggs are often appreciated by convalescents, as a change from those plainly boiled. They may be prepared as follows: break two eggs into a basin and beat them lightly with a fork, adding a little pepper and salt, and two tablespoonfuls of milk or thin cream, chopped parsley may be added if liked; pour the mixture into a buttered pan, and cook gently, for about two minutes, or until the mixture is set.

Novice, Blackpool.—The care of a nurse for her patient, in the event of death, is not completed until the body has been properly arranged for burial and removed into the coffin, and she has left the room and bed in thorough order. It is well to obtain the permission of the relatives to send the mattress to be cleaned and remade. They are generally quite willing to do anything the nurse advises in this way. It is desirable that the body should be placed in the coffin as soon as possible. The services of a nurse are often retained until after the funeral has taken place, and a sympathetic woman can be of much service to the surviving relations.

Ignorant Pro.—The signs of fracture are pain, inability to move the limb naturally, deformity or displacement,

crepitus, abnormal mobility, swelling, and discolouration. Crepitus, the grating sensation felt on rubbing the broken ends of bone together, is a most characteristic and quite unmistakable sign. The usual varieties of fracture are *simple*, when the continuity of the bone is severed, but there is no external wound, *compound*, when the bone is broken, and the wound extends externally from the seat of the fracture, *comminuted*, when the bone is shattered and split, as well as broken. A *green-stick* fracture is one which occurs when the bone is soft and bends. The fracture is thus incomplete and partial. It is most common in children.

C. J., Leicester.—Spectacles and eyeglasses should be kept perfectly clean and clear, otherwise the eyes will be strained and injured. A well-known optician says glasses and spectacles should be placed in a wash-bowl, and soaked in warm water. Then they should be washed with soap, and rubbed with a soft nail brush. Polish them with powder, and give them a final rub with tissue paper. A few drops of ammonia may be added to the water in which the glasses are soaked.

Matron Familias.—Obtain the Nursing Directory, price 5/-, from the office of the *Nursing Record*, 11, Adam Street, Strand. This will give you all the information you desire about the various training schools.

Miss P., London.—You will find the full list of papers to be read at the Nursing Conference given in the column of Coming Events.

M. R. B. N. A.—We are much obliged for your letter. We have no doubt that some such course as you suggest will eventually be taken.

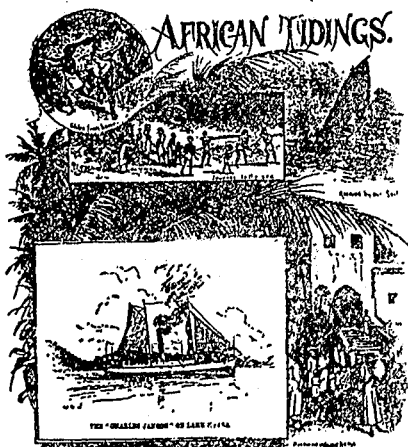
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