

the nursing in their infirmary, and, in fact, to establish a training school. As the number of beds in the Infirmary is 582, for whom at present the number of nurses employed, including the superintendent, is sixteen, it will be seen that radical reforms are necessary.

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LADY BELPER was "at home" at Kingston Hall last week to the ladies and gentlemen connected with the various district nursing associations in the county, and the nurses. About 100 guests partook of the hospitality of their lady president. Lady Belper then presented the silver badge of the association to Nurses Musgrave, Burton Joyce; Biggins, Carlton-on-Trent; Todd, Gedling; Sanders, Hucknall; Carnall, Kirkby; Robinson, Sutton; Elinor Smith (staff); Goodford and Hunt, Rufford. Bronze badges were handed to Nurses Green, Carlton-on-Trent; Denham and Laycock, Serlby; Clayton, Woodborough; Dunn, Thurgarten; Jephson, Collingham; Shelton, Stamford; Hill, Kingston. It was explained that "the silver badge denoted training of more than one year at a hospital, the bronze denoting the short or Plaistow-trained nurse." We should have thought a year's training all too short. How long does it take to train a nurse at Plaistow?

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A SPECIAL Meeting was held at the Westminster Cottage Hospital, Shaftesbury, for the purpose of presenting a Testimonial to Miss L. Hand, the Nurse Matron. Sir R. G. Glyn, Bart., the President, specially came to the Meeting, and informed Miss Hand that during the fourteen years she had had the responsibility of the Cottage Hospital and the many patients, she had given satisfaction to the doctors, the committee, and the patients; she had acted up to everything a nurse should do to relieve suffering, so that she would leave Shaftesbury with happy reminiscences. She had their best wishes, and he had great pleasure in handing her a cheque for £50 17s., being the amount given by her friends and many of her old patients. Miss Hand suitably thanked Sir Richard Glyn, Colonel Best, and all, for their kindness to her on every occasion, and for the handsome present; and she should remember with pleasure the years she had spent at Shaftesbury.

Miss L. H. Harris succeeds Miss Hand as Nurse Matron.

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MISS LUMSDEN is busy with the arrangement for a bazaar, which promises to be a great success, on behalf of the Sick Children's Hospital, Aberdeen. H.R.H. Princess Henry of Battenberg has consented to open the bazaar at mid-day on Friday, 28th October. It is expected that the City Stall will be laden with exquisite needlework; that at the County Stall there will be flowers, fruit, home-made jams, and jellies; the Staff Stall will be furnished

with pottery from Spain and Italy. Large consignments of game have also been promised, and local firms have promised valuable aid; one firm having promised to give a cinematograph entertainment. Miss Lumsden hopes to be able to open depôts for receiving work in a number of small towns throughout the country.

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Is it part of a nurse's duty to put up fractures? In a letter addressed to the managers of the Montrose Infirmary, concerning a case of fractured clavicle, Dr. Key reported: "I directed the Lady Superintendent to put up the fracture in the usual way." If it is recognized that they may be called upon to set fractures nurses surely may justly ask for a thorough education in anatomy to fit them for such duties.

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ON Saturday, the 27th inst., the Lord Lieutenant and Countess Cadogan will receive the Lady Superintendent and Nurses of the City of Dublin Nursing Institution at the Viceregal Lodge. His Excellency will invest each of the nurses who were engaged on the island of Inniskea during the recent epidemic of typhus fever, with the decoration of the order conferred upon them by the St. John Ambulance Association in recognition of their bravery.

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DR. RAWSON, Medical Officer of the Carlow Union, in a report upon nursing matters in the infirmary, in a letter sent by him to the Local Government Board, says:—"Permit me to add an expression of my deep sense of the magnificent devotion of the nuns. It would be impossible to surpass their energy and untiring attention, their utter forgetfulness of self, and the extraordinary rapidity with which they learn and apply any teaching I am able to give them. It is a terrific pressure for four nuns to give all the nursing and also look after all the household arrangements." The doctor's remarks were fully endorsed by the chairman and other members of the Board.

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MISS GERTRUDE W. MOORE, who recently resigned her post as Matron of the Lady Stanley Institute, Ottawa, has received an address from many of the physicians and surgeons of that city expressing the belief that her one aim has been to provide skilled nursing in the various institutions under her management—second to none—in the country; and that the public of Ottawa are under lasting obligations to her for the high standard of trained nurses now practising their calling in Ottawa. The address goes on to say that the writers acknowledge unreservedly the great benefits they are continually deriving in their practices from having at their command painstaking, truthful and conscientious nurses whose only object is to assist them in their scientific treatment of disease. Miss

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