

Notices.

THE MATRONS' COUNCIL.

THE Nursing Directory Sub-Committee of the Matrons' Council will meet, during November, to consider applications for admission to the Nursing Directory. Nurses who have been trained in General Hospitals of 100 beds or over, and can be well recommended by their Matrons, are eligible. Application forms can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Matrons' Council, 46, York Street, Portman Square, London, W.

In consequence of innumerable complaints, we would advise our readers in provincial towns to order their NURSING RECORD through Messrs. Smith & Son's Bookstall at the Railway Station. In case they have any difficulty in obtaining it in this manner each week, we shall be glad if they will write a post card to the Manager, at our Offices.

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Comments and Replies.

A. M. F.—Thank you for your letter and for your appreciative remarks about the NURSING RECORD. We should advise you instead of buying one magazine to subscribe to a good library, which you could do in the large city in which you live. You would then be able to see all the principal weekly and monthly magazines, as well as to

obtain new books, so that you would have a much wider choice of literature than if you bought one magazine.

Miss P. L., Leeds.—You would certainly be wise to obtain practical experience in the domestic management of a public institution before beginning your nursing career, if you hope eventually to attain to one of the higher posts in the nursing profession. In the present unsatisfactory condition of nurse training, very few nurses obtain any experience of domestic management, yet, at the end of three years' training they are considered quite capable of taking a Matron's post, and in this position the efficient and economical control of the household arrangements comprise an important part of the duties required. A knowledge of these duties, therefore, has to be obtained, by the new Matron, by experience gained at the expense of the institution to which she has been elected Matron because of her proficiency in nursing. It would add greatly to the efficient supervision of our hospitals, and therefore conduce directly to the well-being of the sick, if all committees required of candidates for appointments as Matrons, certificates of their efficiency in domestic management as well as their capacity for supervising the nursing of the patients. The effect of such a requirement would be doubly beneficial; it would greatly reduce the number of eligible candidates for vacant appointments, and it would induce trained nurses to take out a course of domestic economy.

Pro., London.—The "provisional callus" is Nature's method for repairing a fracture, and for providing the injured part with a splint, and is very interesting. At the time that a fracture occurs, extravasation of blood takes place in the region of the injury. This coagulates, and forms the basis of new tissue-cells. Then new blood-vessels enter, lime-salts are deposited, and the "callus" is formed. When a fracture is kept at rest in splints, the callus is smaller than where this treatment has not been adopted. In cases of fractured clavicle, the callus is, for a time, very obvious, and patients are sometimes distressed at the "lump," but they may be assured that it will disappear in time.

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