

Notices.**THE MATRONS' COUNCIL.**

THE Nursing Directory Sub-Committee of the Matrons' Council will meet on December 15th, for the last time before the new issue, 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 may 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.

Copies of the NURSING RECORD are always on sale at 269, Regent Street, price 1d. As this address is close to Oxford Circus, it will be found a Central Depot.

Comments and Replies.

S. J., London.—We should advise you to apply to Mrs. Palmer, who receives pupils for instruction in Massage, at 44, Greycoat Gardens, Westminster. Every trained nurse should make herself proficient in this branch of work, before taking up private nursing.

Miss J. T., London.—Write to the Matron, 12, Sussex Square, as the Home of Rest is always very full at Christmas time, and we are glad to hear that many nurses try to spend a few days time in the Home at that festive season, year after year, if it is possible to get a holiday.

Private Nurse, London.—We are indeed sorry to hear from many nurses, as well as yourself, that they find so much difficulty in keeping in full work this winter. Why not enter Fever Hospital for a time, good nurses are needed in many of these institutions, and the experience would be of very great benefit to you.

Maternity Nurse.—There are, in our opinion, only two positions which a woman who attends maternity cases can adopt. She must either act as a qualified medical practitioner, or as a nurse. That the nurse should be qualified as a midwife before she undertakes the responsibility of attending these cases is obvious, no attendant in maternity cases is, we think, safe without this knowledge; but it is plain that midwifery can never be a distinct profession, because even qualified midwives are only educated to attend cases of normal labour, and their work must always therefore be subordinate to, and in touch with that of medical practitioners.

Mrs. P., Cardiff.—We should advise you to wait until the new issue of the *Nursing Directory* (which is issued under the authority of the Matrons' Council) is published. It will appear early in the new year, and may be obtained from the offices of the NURSING RECORD, 11, Adam Street, Strand, price 5s.

Nurse M., Southport.—Taking notes accurately is not an easy matter, and you can only become proficient after much practice. You should therefore make use of every opportunity of doing so.

New Matron.—One of the most valuable qualifications for a Matron is the power of observation. It is a faculty which some people have naturally much more than others, but it can be acquired to a great extent by training. We should advise you to take pains to cultivate it.

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