

Notice.

For the future, copies of the NURSING RECORD will be 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.

Miss G. H., Liverpool.—We think you would be wise to wait until the Sisters, who go to Athens in November, have had an opportunity of gaining, from personal experience, the nursing needs in that city. No doubt private nurses could find work; but if they would be satisfied with the remuneration is not so certain. Athens is a small, and not a very rich city, and as yet the trained nurse is unfamiliar to the residents. We hear that typhoid fever is epidemic, just at present, at Athens and the Piræus, as it usually is in the hot season.

J. S., Bedford.—Apply to the Medical Director, India Office, London, S.W.

Margaret.—1. Get "The Care of the Sick," by Professor Billroth, published by Sampson, Low & Marston. 2. Don't treat yourself even for simple ailments; consult a medical man. 3. Apply to the Institute of Trained Masseuses, 12, Buckingham Street, Strand; and *re* Turkish Baths—consult a Directory.

Nurse Jane C., Ryde.—The competition for promotion in the Nursing world is so keen, that a certificate of training from a good general hospital is essential. Do not be in a hurry to move from post to post—"a rolling stone gathers no moss"; and a few years' good work in one institution

is sure to be helpful in the end. We think you ought to consider your parents' wishes concerning going abroad; another chance may occur later on.

Sister A., London.—The little pincushions you mention can be obtained at Messrs. Garroulds, Edgware Road, W. They are quite inexpensive and very pretty. A capital travelling outfit can be obtained from this firm, and at most reasonable prices, and there is plenty of choice.

E. W., Edinburgh.—We do not think there is anything to gain from placing yourself in the power of persons whom you do not trust; the new Council is significant of the whole management—registration by such a body can carry with it no distinction to a well-trained and certificated nurse. Under the old bye-laws the Nurse Members were in a position of honourable independence; the new bye-laws place them like toads under a harrow. Great interest is already being aroused in the Women's Congress of 1899, and as it opens on the 26th of June—keep the following week free—this gives you plenty of notice.

Sister, Home Hospital.—We sympathise with your difficulties, but we fear they are not likely to decrease under your present arrangements. The Nurses in a Home Hospital should be trained, and not taken as Probationers, which is not just to the patients who pay for skilled nursing, and we strongly disapprove of a nurse being placed on duty day and night; no human being can do her duty as a nurse unless she gets regular sleep and certain hours off duty. If you cannot afford to supply trained nursing you should not call your establishment a Home Hospital.

Louise, M. R., London.—We are always pleased to hear from our readers. You are rather young to enter a large hospital, but many children's hospital take Probationers at twenty-one. We should advise you to advertise in our Supplement; no doubt you would soon get the work you require. The smaller hospitals are often in need of suitable Probationers.

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