### Motices.

In consequence of unumerable 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 Depôt.

### Comments and Replies.

A Subscriber.—We should strongly advise you to obtain a three years certificate for general nursing. Competition is now so keen that if you do not do so you will find a

difficulty in obtaining work in a special branch.

An Assistant Nurse.—The best anatomy and physiology for nurses we know is that by Miss Diana C. Kimber, a graduate of the Belle Vue Training School, and, until recently, assistant-superintendent of the New York City Training School Blackwall's Island. It is published by Macmillan and Co. Besides being written in a most clear and comprehensive manner the book contains many excel-

and comprehensive manner the book contains many excellent illustrations which greatly elucidate the text,

Housekeeper.—Dishes should be washed in hot soapy water, Hudson's soap being an excellent one to use. They should then be rinsed in hot water. Glass, silver, and china should first be washed, and then knives and forks, earthenware, etc. When everything is washed up, dish-cloths and tea-cloths should be washed and dried, and, unless they are clean and sweet, when this is done they should be beiled in soapy water until they become so should be boiled in soapy water until they become so.

Mrs. James, Learnington.—If you read the Nursing Record weekly you will acquaint yourself with nursing

politics. The difficulties which retard the necessary organization of trained nurses are largely economic ones. has been found a mistake in practice to associate medical men and nurses in the organization of the nursing profession. It is, in effect, a combination of the employers and employed, always an impossible one. Nurses are timorous of losing the employment upon which many of them depend for their livelihood if they do not support the medical element, and consequently, if there is a division of opinion on any matter, they are apt to pocket their principles, and to vote in accordance with what they conceive to be their self-interest. The American and Canadian nurses have done wisely in organizing their professional associations in such a way that only graduate nurses have a right to vote, although hon, membership may be conferred on medical practitioners and others who have shown interest in nursing matters.

Asylum Attendant.—We should advise you to obtain a three year's certificate of general training. You will find your special knowledge of much use to you in the future, although it is always desirable that the general training should precede the special, as you are then in a better

position to profit by the latter.

Certified Nurse.—It is always desirable, if you intend to take up monthly nursing, to obtain the diploma of the London Obstetrical Society. You are a far safer person as a monthly nurse if you have a knowledge of midwifery. We agree with you that many trained nurses are quite ignorant of the way to wash and dress an infant, and if they cannot do this for a healthy child it is certainly impossible that they can efficiently care for a sick one. It is quite that they can efficiently care for a sick one. common to see nurses, even in children's wards, handling infants in the most amateur fashion.

Mrs. George.—The International Congress to be held in

London this year, is the Quinquennial Meeting of the various National Councils of Women. The last meeting was held in Chicago, six years ago. The meeting has been postponed for a year, until the return of the President of the International Council, the Countess of Aberdeen, to this country.

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