

Notices.

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.

Trained Nurse.—Application should be made to the Secretary, Revenue and Statistics Department, India Office, Whitehall.

Nurse P., Brighton.—You can obtain an application form for the "Nursing Directory" by writing to the Editor, NURSING RECORD Office, 11, Adam Street, Strand. Your name is eligible for insertion if you have a three years' certificate of training, and a reference from the Matron of your training school.

Three Years' Certificate.—You should join either a co-operation where you take your own earnings, less a fixed percentage, or an institution where the profits are divided between the staff after expenses have been defrayed. There is no reason why you should earn two guineas a

week, and receive a small salary while someone else benefits by your earnings. It is altogether a wrong principle.

Miss P. B.—We do not advise you to begin your training in a special hospital. At the end of three years you will not be competent to nurse general cases, and if you wish to qualify thoroughly, you will have to begin again at the end of that time as a probationer in a general training school. Also the special training should always follow, not precede the general. You will find full details as to the regulations of the principal training schools in the "Nursing Directory," which is published at the offices of the NURSING RECORD, 11, Adam Street Strand, price 5s.

Miss Georgina P. Macvittie.—We should advise the nurse to apply to the Matrons of Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, the Adelaide Hospital, and the Richmond, Whitworth, and Hardwicke Hospitals, Dublin. We do not think that any religious views should disqualify suitable candidates for service in public institutions. If they were maintained by one religious body there might be some reason for this, but as all sorts and conditions of persons subscribe to their support, and all sorts and conditions of patients are found in them, it is not reasonable or just to require the nurses to belong to one denomination. The only test which should be imposed, in our opinion, is a professional one. At the same time nurses of course must understand that they must attend religious services at times which do not interfere with their ward duty. They cannot expect special leave of absence for this purpose.

Anxious Nurse.—If you devote one half-hour a day to really steady and intelligent study, and make notes of important points which occur in your reading, you will be surprised to find how much knowledge you acquire. There are few nurses who at the present day, with the shortened hours on duty, cannot devote at least this amount of time to study. Their predecessors managed to do so when they were fourteen hours a day on duty, exclusive of two half-hours for dinner and tea.

In Illness and in Convalescence,



Bovril possesses a food-value far superior to that of farinaceous and other invalid foods, and also to that of ordinary beef teas, home-made or otherwise. It maintains vitality through the gravest crises of illness, and is so palatable that the patient can enjoy it when other foods are rejected.

Patron—H.R.H. THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL, FOR CHILDREN WITH HIP DISEASE, QUEEN SQUARE, BLOOMSBURY.

Receives Patients from all parts. Provides for a class of terribly afflicted little ones mostly ineligible for General Hospitals. Beds, 68. New Subscriptions, Donations and Legacies urgently needed for the support of this unendowed charity. Bankers—Messrs. HOARE, Fleet Street. Messrs. DRUMMOND, Charing Cross.

STANLEY SMITH, *Secretary.*

[previous page](#)

[next page](#)