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Comments and Replies.

Country Matron.—The Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland is an association of Superintendents of trained nurses, having as its principal object the bringing about of a uniform system of education, examination, certification and State Registration, for nurses in British Hospitals. Further information can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, 46, York Street, Portman Square, W. The Annual subscription is 5s.

Tired.—You should apply for admission to the Sir Julian Goldsmid Home of Rest for Nurses, 12, Sussex Square, Brighton, for which you are eligible as a nurse, provided that you have not been in contact with infectious disease for three weeks. The inclusive charges are 17s. 6d. a week where a double-bedded room is used, or 21s. for a single bedroom. It is well to write well in advance, as, during the summer months, the Home is often very full.

Ignoramus.—We do not advise you to enter for training at the institution in question, as the term of training is only for two years; and you would, therefore, at the completion of your training, find yourself ineligible for such appointments as Sister in the Navy or Army and Indian Nursing Services, Charge Nurse under the Poor Law, and in the Fever Hospitals of the Metropolitan Asylums Board, as well as for most hospital appointments of any importance. If you obtain the "Nursing Directory," price 5s., from the offices of the NURSING RECORD, 11, Adam Street, Strand, you will find an account of all the principal training schools, with the term of training in each case, which will help you to decide which hospital you would like to enter. When you have made up your mind on this point, you should write to the Matron and ask her when there is likely to be a vacancy, and if she will grant you a personal interview.

Miss B., Plymouth.—You can do much which will help you in your career as a nurse, when you are free to enter a hospital. You should study physiology, anatomy, and hygiene. Housekeeping experience will also be of use to you, as well as practical experience of cookery, and more especially of sick room cookery. You would also find a course of St. John's Ambulance lectures helpful. The demonstrations on bandaging given during the St. John's Ambulance course are excellent.

Miss G. Page.—We should advise you to enter a general hospital for training before taking up fever work. The general training should always precede the special, so as to form a foundation on which to build. This is the only scientific measure of procedure.

Certificated Nurse.—We do not think you will be able to obtain midwifery training in any lying-in hospital without paying a fee. Your services are of very little value during the time that you are training, as you are entirely in the position of a pupil. You might perhaps make an arrangement to be received for a less fee if you stayed on after you have gained the certificate of the London Obstetrical Society.

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