

**Nursing Echoes.**

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THE Helena Nursing Home, Reading, has received from the Queen, through Mrs. Murdoch, Buckhurst, Wokingham, a pretty woollen scarf, knitted by her Majesty, in token of the interest she takes in that Institution.

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 WE all know how difficult it is to get money, even for the best of causes, just now, at home, when South Africa and India require so much; so our delight may be imagined when, amongst other letters received on March 2nd, we found enclosed a cheque for £25, "in honour of the relief of Ladysmith," most generously sent by Mrs. Lionel Lucas, for the Nurses' Home of Rest at Brighton.

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 THE Annual Report of the Home was presented at a meeting held at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, last week, and a very successful year's work recorded. The donations, subscriptions and investments amounted to £142 18s. od., and the nurses' payments to £412 8s. od. The Committee are still anxious to invest sufficient donations to bring in an income of £300 a year, as, even with the economic and excellent management of Mrs. McIntyre, it is found that the Home cannot be quite self-supporting, if the high standard of dainty comfort for which it is celebrated, is to be maintained.

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 WE have also received, in support of the Home, through Mrs. Lionel Lucas, donations of £10 from Mr. Osmund d'Avigdor Goldsmid, and £5 from Mr. F. L. Lucas.

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 MR. CHARLES C. BAILY is a great benefactor to Brighton Hospitals, for he not only gives them most generous financial support, but much personal service. Mr. Baily is also one of our kindest friends at the Nurses' Home of Rest.

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 A USEFUL little book of prayers for use in hospitals and infirmaries has been arranged by Miss Mary Clifford, the "Guardian Angel," of Bristol, and is printed by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, Northumberland Avenue, with a commendatory note by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The prayers, which are

almost entirely taken from the Prayer-book, are of the simplest, the compiler having found the need for simplicity. In this connection she relates how some very poor, untaught people at the East End (knowing their own short-comings and believing this was the correct reading) invariably rendered the petition in the Lord's Prayer—"forgive us our trespasses" as "forgive us our Christmasses." Those who are acquainted with National schools, and a prayer in common use which contains the petition "Make us obedient and dutiful children," know how this is almost invariably rendered, with great heartiness, "Make us obedient and beautiful children," and the story of the child who knew by rote the fourth commandment, and, on a first visit to the seaside, astonished her teacher by saying that she had seen the sea, but where were "all the tinmies" (the sea and all that in them is) is familiar to many. The need for simplicity is, therefore, apparent. Besides prayers for each day of the week, and passages of Scripture, suitable for reading to the sick, some favourite hymns are also included, and the book will be found useful in hospitals which have no appointed list of prayers.

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 WE have received the following prospectus of some lectures which are being delivered free to nurses at the City Orthopædic Hospital, Hatton Garden, E.C., and very good they appear to be. Those on the Nursing of Orthopædic Patients, should prove attractive, as there are so many specialities which are not included in a general hospital curriculum, and orthopædic work is one. Further information can be obtained from the Matron.

Free lectures are to be delivered weekly, on Tuesdays, at 5.30 p.m.

March 6th—	Mr. JOHN POLAND	The Human Skeleton.
March 13th—	"	The Muscles
March 20th—	"	The Heart & Blood Vessels
March 27th—	"	The Brain and Nerves
April 3rd—	{ Mr. CHISHOLM } WILLIAMS	The Circulation of the Blood, etc
April 10th—	"	Respiration and Digestion
April 17th—	"	Absorption and Oxidation
April 24th—	"	Regulation of Temperature of Body
May 1st—	"	Infection and Disinfection —Ventilation
May 8th—	{ Mr. NOBLE SMITH }	The Nursing of Orthopædic Patients.
May 15th—	"	
May 22nd—	"	
May 29th—	"	
June 5th—	Mr. JACKSON CLARKE	Principles of Antiseptic Surgery — Preparation of Patients for Operation
June 12th—	"	Nurses' Duties in the Operation Theatre
June 19th—	"	Nursing of Patients after Operations: Dangerous Symptoms

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