

Notices.

We take this opportunity of thanking all those of our correspondents, at home and abroad, who so kindly wrote to us for Christmas and the New Year, for the charming cards, and good wishes, which we have received from them. We send them our heartiest greetings, and our best wishes for the New Year.

Will our readers kindly notice that communications for insertion in the current number of the NURSING RECORD should reach the editorial Office, 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W., if possible, not later than Wednesday morning. We receive much interesting matter just after we have gone to press which, if sent a few posts earlier, could be inserted, but is stale a week later.

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.

Miss C. P.—We are obliged to you for your kind letter. We hope others will follow your example. It is a matter for congratulation that the NURSING RECORD is being increasingly read by women who think, and who are working to obtain reforms in other branches of women's work. They are quick to see the present position of nursing affairs, and their co-operation and help in explaining this to the public is of great value.

Nurse C. Palmer.—We cannot advise you to come up to London with a view to private nursing unless you have a three years' certificate. Firstly, because less hospital experience does not in our opinion qualify you to undertake the responsibilities of private nursing, and secondly, because you would find it very difficult to get work. You would not be eligible for membership of the best co-operations, and, unless you belong to a society of this kind, your position is most precarious. The first thing to do if you wish to succeed is to get your three years' hospital training, and, in addition, we should advise you to obtain some experience in fever nursing, and if possible also the certificate of the London Obstetrical Society.

Miss Bradshaw.—See our notice in the "Nursing Echoes" in last week's NURSING RECORD with regard to the hotel for nurses shortly to be opened by Miss Debenham. We quite agree with you that hotels for nurses are much needed, but we are inclined to think that nurses are often apt to expect too much for their money. They have become accustomed to most comfortable quarters very often during their hospital training, and do not in the least realize the cost of living in London, consequently when they have to pay for it themselves they sometimes want "everything for nothing."

The Enemy at Home.



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