

wish to be of some use to others, and when they have entered it, they love it, because, of the wide scope which it affords them for usefulness and the exercise of their sympathies. I say nothing about the interest they take in their work from its professional side. This Mrs. Garrett Anderson may perhaps be able to understand. Certain it is that many nurses become so devoted to their work that they decline to exchange their estate for any other whatsoever, not excluding matrimony.

I am, dear Madam, yours faithfully,
A CONTENTED OLD MAID.

Notices.

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.

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Comments and Replies.

N. B., New Zealand.—We are obliged by your letter. We are always glad to hear from our readers in other countries. We do not think that the lady you mention is connected with your relative. We should advise you to obtain "Practical Nursing," by Miss Isla Stewart and Dr. H. E. Cuff, the first volume of which is now published by William Blackwood and Sons, London, price 3s. 6d.

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