

Committee of the Middlesex Hospital to the Medical School Managers, and so magnanimously "written off the books of the Hospital," it cannot be maintained that "no such percolation has actually occurred." Perhaps the Committee of the Prince's Fund might consider, as other business-like people do, that percolation not percolation would more accurately describe this transaction.

Yours truly, "ANTI VIVISECTIONIST."

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*Miss Blair.*—We should advise you to consult your Matron with regard to the advisability of accepting the post.

*Two Hospital Nurses.*—The coast of Dorset and Devonshire is very lovely but not bracing. If you do not need a bracing place, we cannot imagine a more charming spot for a holiday than Guernsey. The island itself is beautiful,

lodgings are very reasonable, or there is a comfortable hotel, the flower market is always lovely, while the island of Sark, which can be visited in a day's outing, is a dream of beauty and an abiding dream of delight. The air of Guernsey is deliciously pure and distinctly invigorating. The journey to the island is very easy. You can leave Waterloo at 10 p.m., and arriving at Southampton at 12, you pass straight on to the boat from the train, get into your berth, and wake up to find yourself at 5.30 in the harbour at Guernsey.

*Private Nurse.*—We should advise you to join a co-operation where you will take your own fees, less the deduction of the necessary percentage for office expenses. There is no reason why your earnings should be largely absorbed by the middleman, as appears to be the case.

*M.R.B.N.A.*—To your question as to when nurses are going to get State Registration, we must reply by another. What are you personally doing to obtain it? It will not drop into your mouth like a ripe plum. Everything that is worth having is worth working for, and until nurses realise this they may continue to ask this question. Moreover, the sympathies of thoughtful women who might have helped nurses in this matter have been much alienated by their irresponsible and reprehensible conduct in the Royal British Nurses' Association, and, when we ask public women for their help we are met with the reply, "Are the nurses worth working for? Just look what a splendid opportunity they had in their Chartered Association, and look how they threw it away." Unfortunately it is only possible to agree with this point of view. We fear nurses have considerably alienated public sympathy by their culpable weakness and lack of public responsibility.

*Miss Evans.*—We believe that at the hospital you mention all the nurses have the opportunity of obtaining experience in maternity cases, and of gaining the L.O.S. certificate, and there is no doubt that this knowledge is of great value and would be most useful to you as a private nurse.

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