

Notice to our Readers.**STATE REGISTRATION OF NURSES.**

Many requests have reached us that the all-important question of State Registration of Trained Nurses should be dealt with. Preparatory, therefore, to taking effective steps to organize those who are in favour of this form of legislation, we propose to insert every week a form for signature, which will be found among the advertisements on page vi., to enable our readers to record their vote for or against State Registration for Nurses. We most earnestly invite them to express their opinion by signing, cutting out, and returning the forms addressed to

The Editor,
NURSING RECORD,
20, Upper Wimpole Street,
London, W.

Fac-simile slips for signature can be obtained on application to the same address, and London nurses who wish to do so can sign the form at the offices of the Registered Nurses' Society, 269, Regent Street, W., between the hours of 3 and 8 p.m.

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 the NURSING RECORD Office, 11, Adam Street, Strand, W.C.

Comments and Replies.

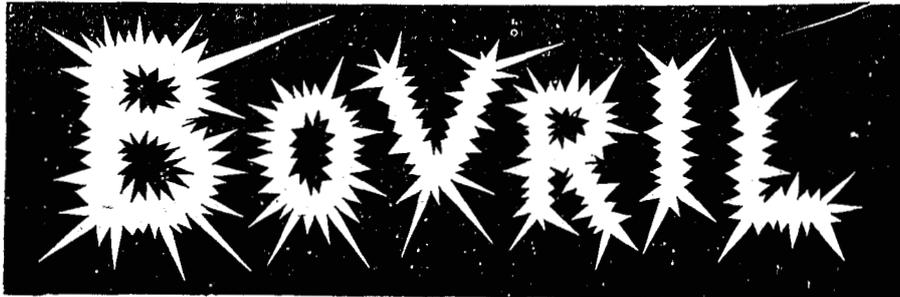
Twenty-two.—We should advise you to begin a regular course of reading, studying such subjects as physiology, hygiene and invalid cookery. It is a mistake to read up books on practical nursing before you have any experience in the care of the sick. You might however obtain the book on "First Aid to the Injured," by Dr. Samuel Osborn, published by Messrs. H. K. Lewis, 136, Gower Street, price 2s., and acquaint yourself with the methods of compressing arteries, and scientific bandaging, taught in it. Both of these can be practised on a healthy person. You might also attend a course of St. John's Ambulance Lectures on "First Aid," which are useful in their way, but you must distinctly understand that you are in no way qualified to act as a nurse by the instruction you receive.

Ward Sister.—The International Nursing Congress at Buffalo in 1901 is open to any nurse who desires to attend it. It is estimated that the cost to those going from this country will be between £50 and £60. Few nurses will be able to afford this, but by co-operation societies of nurses can send a delegate if each member subscribes a small sum.

Tired Nurse.—We do not recommend you to apply for the Matronship of a cottage hospital if you want "light work." The duties connected with such a post are often very arduous and exacting, as the nursing staff is as a rule small, and the hours on duty longer.

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