

nurses' commercial institutions; our reason being that it is liable to draw them into disputes and undignified positions, which injure the prestige of medical men in the eyes of the public, and undermine the discipline of their relations with nurses. As Chairman Dr. Morgan had to defend this case. We sympathise much with our correspondent in all the trouble which these legal proceedings have occasioned her, and think her attitude in maintaining the right of the Hon. Medical Officer of the Sunderland Nurses' Institute, to treat the nurses so long as they belong to the staff, unassailable. As we said before, our experience of nurses when they are ill is that they are oftentimes very unreasonable, and we are glad to observe, from Nurse Foote's letter, that she realises that her conduct has been blamable.—ED.]

### Notices.

#### OUR PRIZE PUZZLE.

Rules for competing for the Pictorial Puzzle Prize will be found on Advertisement page VIII.

If nurses wish to communicate with Miss Cherry Johnson, dressmaker, they should do so by letter, to 97, Walterton Road, St. Peter's Park, W. No parcels can be received at this address. At present Miss Johnson has more work than required, so cannot undertake further orders at present.

### Comments and Replies.

*Miss Turley, London.*—We are sorry you have been inconvenienced, the truth is that the dressmaker in question has now got much more than she can do, and it should have been made clear that the address given was for letters only. In spite of thousands of women working as dressmakers, few can be relied upon—all seem overpowered with work if an address is made public.

*District Nurse, London.*—We quite agree with you that there should be a notice plainly posted on every bus, that spitting is not allowed; it is a dirty and dangerous habit; we have constant letters about this habit. Read "Contra Sputum," by Canon Rawnsley in this month's *Tuberculosis*. Reference is also made to the action of our friends across the Atlantic in the matter. "He who expectorates on the pavement cannot expect to rate as a gentleman," says a notice in the public places of an American city. The sanitary code of the New York Board of Health is very strict on this matter, and persons guilty of this habit are arrested and fined. "What a Republic may safely do in this matter on behalf of the public welfare may surely," *Tuberculosis* thinks, "be accomplished in England without imperilling the Monarchy or producing a rebellion. Which of our great provincial cities will have the pluck and enterprise to give London a lead?"

*Tired of Private Nursing, Liverpool.*—Write to the Hon. Sec. Colonial Nursing Association, the Imperial Institute, London, S.W. It is not wise to start off abroad alone, without definite prospects. You can get the Midwifery training you need at the Clapham Maternity Hospital, Jeffreys Road, S.W. Write to the Matron. It affords to women medical students, and others, the opportunity of training in obstetrics under *women who are doctors*, not midwives only—apart from students of the opposite sex.

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