

James C. White (November 15, 22), The anatomy and care of the skin. Dr. Samuel L. Abbot (November 29), General Medical Nursing, including the use of leeches, blisters, cuppings, enemata, and baths. Dr. Samuel L. Abbot (December 6), Special Nursing in cases of fever."

"DR. MAURICE RICHARDSON (December 13, 20, 27), The administration of anæsthetics.—Care of patients, before, during, and after operations, with possible emergencies (shock, hæmorrhage, and collapse). Dr. J. W. Elliott (January 3, 10, 17), Surgical dressings; fractures and the application of splints. Dr. Arthur T. Cabot (January 24, 31, February 7), Theory of wounds, including inflammation, suppuration, erysipelas, septicæmia, pyæmia, and gangrene. Principles of antiseptic surgery. Dr. Charles P. Strong (February 14, 21, 28, March 7), Special Nursing in Obstetric cases. Dr. E. G. Cutler (March 14, 21), Rest cure; special Nursing in convalescence. Dr. Charles P. Strong (March 28, April 4), Special Nursing in gynecological cases. Dr. Frederick C. Shattuck (April 11), Special Nursing in diseases of children. Dr. James J. Putnam (April 18, 25), Special Nursing in diseases of the nervous system. Massage. Dr. Herman F. Vickery (May 2, 9), Special Nursing in diseases of the thoracic and abdominal organs. Dr. Myles Standish (May 16), Special Nursing in diseases of the eye. Dr. J. Orne Green (May 23), Special Nursing in diseases of the ear. Dr. Arthur T. Cabot (May 30), Special Nursing in cases of tracheotomy and of abdominal surgery. Dr. F. Windsor (June 6), Duties and conduct of Nurses in Private Nursing."

*Apropos* of my remarks respecting the Adelaide Hospital Nursing Staff, Dublin, in these columns last week, I have received a communication from an esteemed correspondent in that city, who says, "I saw your note in last week's *Nursing Record* about another institution imitating our uniform, which is perfectly true, and it was extremely shabby to do so."

I STILL await the explanation of the Adelaide Hospital authorities upon the matter, and I trust that it will be forthcoming, in order that the general relationships of the two institutions may not become strained.

I HAVE been spending the past few days with an old Medical friend in the country, in a small town of a few thousand inhabitants, consisting chiefly of mill hands.

My friend took me a drive one morning, making me his coachman for the nonce. After having

seen a number of patients, he stopped at a cottage a few miles out, remarking that he had a very interesting "case" of uræmia he would like me to see. So putting the horse and trap into the hands of a villager, I stepped into the domicile.

THERE, in one corner of an apartment which served as a kitchen, parlour, and invalid's room, amid the noise and dirt of a very noisy and dirty household, on a small bed in one corner of the unrefresh, overheated place, lay the pallid-faced patient (a boy about fifteen), who would have been a lot more comfortable and considerably more clean with a wash.

HE was, however, the Doctor informed me, "pulling through" in spite of it all very nicely, and promised to make an extremely good "cure."

IN course of a conversation with the lad's mother, who was a garrulous, dirty-skinned looking woman, I gathered sufficient to learn that the patient had not had change of linen for three weeks, that he had not been washed for ten days, and had occupied the reeking kitchen during the whole of his illness.

AND be it known that these were not poor people by any means. They were "paying" patients, and could and did afford their three and sixpence per visit tolerably easily.

IN addition to the want of even the veriest superficial knowledge of sanitary and Nursing matters, there was complete ignorance of how to prepare the very simplest of suitable food or beverage.

FOR just as we were about to drive off, the mother ran out of the house, calling after the departing carriage, "Doctor, Doctor, may I give 'Jimmy' some 'porter and water' to drink?"—a mixture which, at the best of times, and under the most favourable conditions, could hardly be classed as permissible.

I NEED hardly say that the "Doctor's" reply was short, sharp, and in the negative, and I am confident that the woman had not received such a severe little lecture for some time past.

TURNING to me, my friend remarked to me, with something like a sigh, "Upon my word, Miss S. G., I believe I lose more than half of the patients I do lose in this district through the want of proper Nursing attention. These chunner-headed people don't seem to have the faintest notion of even the most rudimentary portion of proper 'aid to the sick.'" S. G.

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