

drawing-room, with a wonderful Oriental design, uttering the proud words, "I did it all myself!" May I suggest also that this would make an agreeable change to the poor pursued curate from those endless slippers, all of which, being but a biped, he cannot possibly wear? VEVA KARSLAND.

"NURSING RECORD" BENEVOLENT FUND.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE want to assist, by the united efforts of the readers of the *Nursing Record*, Trained Nurses who may be in need of temporary or permanent aid, and for this purpose donations, whether small or large, will be thankfully received, as the Fund has already many demands made upon it.

HELP WANTED HERE ALSO.

Mrs. Sarah Duyck, aged 48, is a widow, and has broken her leg so badly, that she will probably be a cripple for the rest of her life, besides dislocating one shoulder some years ago, so that she is even unable to use her crutches for long at a time.

Mrs. Duyck wishes to obtain an annuity of £20 a year from the British Home for Incurables. To do this at least 1,000 votes must be procured from subscribers to the Institution. Lists of subscribers can be obtained by sending eight stamps to the offices, 73, Cheapside, E.C.

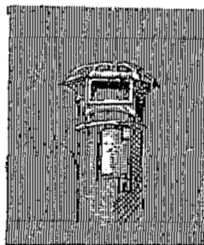
Will every reader of this journal please do what she or he can to obtain votes for this sad case—to assist, in however small a measure, to bear another's burden? Such help will be gratefully welcomed by the Editor, *Nursing Record*, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, London, E.C., and all subscriptions, &c., will be duly acknowledged.

As there is honey in Heraclea of Pontus, which is poisonous and makes those mad who eat it, because it is gathered from the aconite, which abounds in the country; even so the friendship grounded upon the communication of false and vicious goods is altogether false and vicious.—*Sales.*

THERE must be some bond of sympathy, some mutual interest, something in each that awakens a responsive chord in the other, in order that any two persons shall take pleasure in each others' society. And where no pleasure is taken a union brought about by artificial or compulsory means will soon dissolve by common consent. Those who differ radically in their ideas may, if generous, meet and discuss them with delight; but their divergence begins from some point of union; whereas those who have no such point, or who fail to find it if they have, cannot be expected to enter into close companionship.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

(Notes, Queries, &c.)



Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not IN ANY WAY hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

Communications, &c. not noticed in our present number will receive attention when space permits

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—Will you or any of your readers kindly tell me what is due to a Monthly Nurse as regards money (her fee), board, &c., whose patient coming a fortnight or three weeks before her time had to get another Nurse? Also, are there any fixed rules as regards board, &c., and what is the right thing to do in such a case?

JUSTICE.

[So far as we are aware, unless our correspondent has a written and stamped agreement with her patients, in which case she can easily recover any fees therein agreed upon, a Nurse has no legal claim upon a person to whom she has rendered no service. We would advise "Justice" to represent the hardship of her case very temperately to her intended employer, and to express the hope that she will do something to mitigate it.—ED.]

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIAL.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Sir,—I am asked by my friends to tell you how very much we appreciate the high moral tone of the *Nursing Record*. It is both cheering and invigorating to thus gradually learn to share the joys and sorrows of our comrades in warfare, to strive to "find our own in all men's good," and to side by side fight on in "noble brotherhood." With every good wish for its "true" success.—Believe me to remain, sincerely yours,
MINERVA.

Communications with and without enclosures have been received from *Miss F. Field, Miss Nina Morley, Miss E. Dickenson, Mrs. Skene-Keith, Miss R. J. Rolleston, the Editress The Ladies' Treasury, Miss M. Ridley, the Lady Superintendent London Association of Nurses, Miss Boyle, Miss M. Johnson, Miss Helen Bennett, Miss Stewart, Minerva, Sister Stocker, Miss Steward, Miss G. A. Wylde, Miss J. St. A. Horton, Miss Winter, Mrs. Mills.*

MRS. DUYCK FUND.—We beg to acknowledge the recording of two votes to the British Home for Incurables for this year, and should they be required, the votes for next year, from Miss G. Mareydd Harrison; also eight votes from Miss A. F. Hamilton. "NURSING RECORD BENEVOLENT FUND."—We acknowledge with grateful thanks 3s. 6d. from Miss G. M. Harrison; 2s. 6d. from Nurse Twigg; 5s. from Miss S. Spink.

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