

long attack of diphtheria in the beginning of this year. She was with me for ten weeks, and I found her a very skilful and careful Nurse during my illness, and a very pleasant, intelligent companion during my recovery.—ELIZABETH MARY EVANS,

“The Close, Norwich.  
“April 3, 1883.”

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“Queen Charlotte’s Lying-in Hospital.

“These are to certify that Clara Augusta Jump, the College, Epsom, has been a pupil of this Hospital, and has received instruction in the duties of a Monthly Nurse, and that she has shown herself competent to discharge efficiently the duties of that position.

“Dated this 31st day of May, 1884,

“WILLIAM HOPE, M.D.	} <i>Physicians to the</i> <i>In-patients.</i>
“WM. CHAPMAN GRIFF, M.D.	
“M. A. PHILLIPS, <i>Matron.</i>	

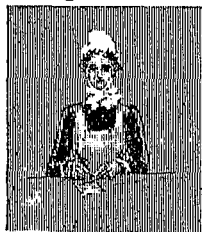
“THOMAS RYAN, *Secretary.*”

And so far ends that which to us has been an exceedingly difficult task, and which we fear has proved somewhat tedious reading, and we now publicly call upon Mr. Barnardo to give his further explanation of any of the points which have been raised by the publication of this correspondence and our remarks thereon, before proceeding to deliver ourselves of a final judgment in the matter.

NURSING ECHOES.

\*\*\* *Communications (duly authenticated with name and address, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith) are especially invited for these columns.*

I AM asked to remind my readers that the first meeting for the Session, of the British Nurses’



Association will be held to-night, Thursday, at 8 p.m., at 20, Hanover Square. Dr. Cheadle, the well-known Physician to St. Mary’s Hospital, will give an address on the “Progress of Hygiene,” so a most interesting subject will be, beyond doubt, made still more interesting. I hear that last Session the capacity of the Medical Society’s Rooms, in Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, was more than once tried to the uttermost by the large attendance, and seeing that the number of members has more than doubled since this time last year, greater accommodation has of course had to be provided. Certainly it was a most felicitous thought of the Committee to move to Hanover Square.

PERHAPS some of my readers do not know that the Royal Medico-Chirurgical Society has recently bought the great, gaunt house which for so many years has stood empty and desolate on the west side of Hanover Square. It has practically rebuilt and vastly enlarged the whole place, so that now it extends back, I am told, nearly to Bond Street. Its object in taking this course is reported to be not only to obtain much-needed space for its magnificent library, but also to act as a central home for all the many other important Medical Societies—except, of course, the Medical Society—of London, which for many years has had its own house. I hear that nearly all these learned societies have at once grasped the opportunity and obtained rooms, or at least the right to hold their meetings, in the new house.

So it is certainly one more success gained by the Association that it has claimed to be admitted as a professional body amongst all these other well-known scientific societies, and that it has had its claim allowed. I hear that the new buildings will not be finished until Christmas, but, as I see by the card of meetings that to-day’s meeting is the only one until January, I suppose it will not make much difference to the Association. The *Conversazione*, I see, is again fixed for the first Friday in December—the anniversary of the foundation of the Association—and, from all accounts, it promises to be even a greater success than was the memorable gathering last year at the Grosvenor Gallery.

I HEAR that not only will the Princes’ Hall be thrown open for a concert, &c., but the whole suite of the Galleries of the Institute of Painters in Water Colours will be utilised to provide ample accommodation for the large numbers who, attracted by last year’s *Conversazione*, are anxious to be present at the forthcoming one. It is announced that six hundred free tickets will be issued to Members, strictly in the order in which they are applied for; and I am told that only four hundred tickets for Members’ friends can be issued at five shillings each, the remainder costing half-a-guinea each. As it was reported last year that this number of friends’ cards was applied for in less than a fortnight, it would be well for Members desiring these tickets to make application for them soon. I suppose last year’s rule will hold good, and no one will be able to obtain a five shilling ticket, except at the direct request of a Member.

THE Annual Report has come quite as an unexpected pleasure to Members who had not expected their greatly derided Association would, as its first

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