

Catherine House, the Home for Invalid Gentlewomen at 57, Church Road, St. Leonards-on-Sea, which has now been established for fifty years.

Its object is to provide a home during periods of illness or convalescence to gentlewomen of limited means from all parts of the kingdom, the wives, daughters and relatives of the clergy, of naval and military officers, and of professional men. Also to give timely rest and change of air, or a temporary holiday from work, to ladies not actually ill. Here, in a separate bedroom, skilled medical attendance and trained nursing are given to those who are ill; while the tired ones can enjoy the luxury of breakfast in bed and being generally cared for, and come down stairs to bright and well-appointed sitting-rooms, or to a pleasant garden with sheltered terrace provided with easy chairs and lounges. Numbers of the ladies who have stayed at the Home have been able to take fresh heart and return in good health and with renewed energy to the anxieties of their daily life. The terms are £1 ls. a week.

An effort is to be made this year to raise £500 to commemorate fifty years of successful work, and a drawing-room meeting will be held by invitation of Lady Brassey on Friday, May 11th, at 24, Park Lane, at 3.30 p.m., at which Princess Alexander of Teck, Patron of the Home, has promised to be present, when the chair will be taken by Lord Brassey, K.C.B., and Lord Cheylesmore, Sir Joseph Dimsdale, and others will speak.

A correspondent writes:—*Unterm Lazaruskreuz*, the official paper of the German Nurses' Association, gives interesting information under the heading "Third Year's Report" of the Society. The members of the Association are steadily increasing, 350 having joined in 1905. They are scattered over various countries, America, Switzerland, Warsaw, Constantinople, as well as in the various German States. One notes with pleasure that an English nurse has become a member. That general interest is becoming aroused in Germany about nursing is proved by the Women's Union holding discussions on the subject in various centres—Frankfort, Mannheim, Darmstadt, and other towns. Our German sisters, with us, realise the necessity of managing professional affairs themselves, and we find the Committee exclusively composed of Sisters, the President being Sister Agnes Karll.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, the founder of the

International Council of Nurses, and Miss Dock, the Hon. Secretary, were appointed Honorary Members of the Society. A very appreciative notice of the interest and help given by these ladies to its work and Journal is to be found in the issue of April 15th. The editorial speaks gravely of the risk to health run by nurses, and sadly of the few who make any provision for sickness; asks members to strive after more business-like habits in recording their names and addresses (how one sympathises) and in saving trouble in such ways to the Bureau; it notices that the great proportion of nurses prefer surgical nursing to any other, and hopes in time many will emulate the Kaiserswerth Deaconesses in taking up the social side of their work. Nurses seem very much alike all the world over, one seems often to have read similar remarks in our own Journal of Nursing. *Unterm Lazaruskreuz* sets a high tone and should be most helpful to its members.

Owing to the enlargement of St. George's Hospital, Bombay, by the addition of the new Hospital for Women, the number of nurses on the hospital staff, which at present numbers seven Sisters and thirty-three nurses, is to be increased. To make provision for this increase a storey is being added to the present quarters of the Lady Superintendent and Sisters.

The Committee of St. George's Hospital Nursing Association at the recent Annual Meeting expressed in their report their complete satisfaction at the efficiency of the work done by the hospital and private staffs, and they also once more desire to record their appreciation of the services of the Lady Superintendent, Miss Mill, who continues to show the utmost interest in the executive management of the affairs of the Association. The Committee regret to record the resignation of Miss Walters, the Assistant Lady Superintendent, who resigned her appointment in November last after three years of loyal service, six months of which she acted as Lady Superintendent with much acceptance. In her place the Committee have appointed Miss Wason, who came to them with very high qualifications for the post.

In the table given at the end of Miss Fountain's article last week, in regard to the feeding of infants, under the heading of "Age," the fourth line should run "4th to 5th month" instead of the week being repeated. This applies to the subsequent line also.

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