

Poona, where her mother has for many years kept a large school for children, a school, the influence of which on the life of the young inhabitants of that Eastern city cannot be too highly estimated. It is by the women alone that the women of India can be reached, and in Coralie Sorabji may be seen what education, refinement, and above all Christianity can do for our downtrodden sisters in the Eastern realm of the Empress Queen.

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I BEG to state I was misinformed with regard to the Secretary for the National Society for Woman's Suffrage, for, whereas I said it was Miss Caroline Fothergill, it is in reality Miss Florence Balgarnie, the well-known supporter of women's rights, who holds the honoured post, and will, I trust, continue to hold it till the Society, its object accomplished, dissolves into one of the "things that were." VEVA KARSLAND.

AS OTHERS SEE US.—The *Nursing Record*. (London: Sampson Low, Marston, and Co. 2d. weekly.)—In the number published on January 16th, Miss Veva Karsland writes a good paper on "Women and their Work: The Lady Florist, her Employment and Scale of Payment." Miss Karsland tells an amusing anecdote respecting narrating fairy tales to children. Some children, from five to eight years old, asked her to tell them a story, and commencing it, she said, "It was the evening hour, and the fairies were abroad; the sun had gone to bed in a mass of rosy clouds and darkness—" "Teacher," interrupted a tiny, piping voice, "the sun never goes to bed; at night it is shining in Australia." In the *Nursing Record*, no matter what the date of it, there are always valuable hints for mothers as well as Nurses.—*Ladies' Treasury*.

SELFISHNESS.—Of all that have tried the selfish experiment, let one come forth and say he has succeeded. He that has made gold his idol—has it satisfied him? He that has toiled in the fields of ambition—has he been repaid? He that has ransacked every theatre of sensual enjoyment—is he content? Can any answer in the affirmative? Not one. And when his conscience shall ask him, and ask it will, "Where are the hungry, whom you gave meat? The thirsty, whom you gave drink? The stranger, whom you sheltered? The naked, whom you clothed? The prisoned, whom you visited? *The sick, whom you ministered unto?*" how will he feel when he must answer, "I have done none of these things—I thought only for myself."

"NURSING RECORD" BENEVOLENT FUND.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

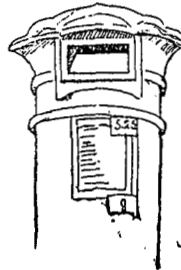
WE want to assist, by the united efforts of the readers of the *Nursing Record*, Trained Nurses who may be in need of temporary or permanent aid, and for this purpose donations, whether small or large, will be thankfully received, as the Fund has already many demands made upon it.

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.



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.

COTTAGES: A PLEA FOR THE SOLITARY DISTRICT NURSE.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

Dear Sir,—I have read with considerable interest the whole of the recent and still current correspondence on District Nursing, for the free discussion of which you have very courteously thrown open the columns of the *Nursing Record*, and I am much pleased to learn, as I do therefrom, that your valiant correspondent from Southampton has struck the key note to "the cottage scheme" for solitary District Nurses. And if more than a quarter of a century's active service as a district visitor, a church worker, and a District Nurse combined is sufficient to warrant me in a claim to "a hearing" thereon, I should like to endorse this writer's practical remarks; that is, with a very plain and a very brief synoptical outline only.

A keen observer of men and things, coupled with the most

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