

from home, and a vast amount of good work was done, when dear Miss Loch was our head. Even to be English bred and born was not enough if discipline was to be maintained. The "half gentry," of whom there were not a few in our ranks, did a deal of harm. One rode races, another married a "Tommie"—indeed many took risks. What is required in all military nursing services first and foremost is that the nurses should be gentlewomen. If there are sufficient "able, well-trained girls in this country" to fill military nursing vacancies it is a pity that good breeding is not always made a qualification. We should hear of fewer troubles.

Yours,

AN OLD CAMPAIGNER.

ECHOES FROM AFRICA.

To the Editor of the "British Journal of Nursing."

DEAR MADAM,—Mr. Schreiner, who represents Queenstown in the Cape House of Assembly, and is a brother of the gifted authoress of "The Story of an African Farm," is about to start on his mission to England to plead the case of the coloured races and their franchise. It is not very probable that the whites will ever agree to the enfranchisement of these people, but I would ask my countrywomen, who are being urged to emigrate to South Africa to consider this question very carefully. A good bit of indignation was aroused here recently when it became known that "potentates and peeresses" were meeting in London and proposing that white women should consent to come out here and do Kaffirs' work. This is the danger of the aristocratic leisured classes in England patronising working women. All work is honourable, they are reported to have advanced, (a pity they do not put such platitudes to the practical test)—so it is, but it is mischievous for these untravelled ladies of leisure to attempt to over-ride custom. Here the Kaffir does one sort of domestic work and white women another, and if in the future we are to be reduced to the menial position of the "boy," God save Africa. If coloured men are given suffrage, then this will no longer be a white woman's colony. It is bad enough to be classed with the dregs of the population as it is. Every self-respecting white woman should clear out.

Yours truly,

TRAINED IN IRELAND.

MOTOR MAPS.

To the Editor of the "British Journal of Nursing."

DEAR MADAM,—You were good enough to give us a notice in your Journal recently in reference to our Motor Maps, which was much appreciated, and has resulted in an enormous rush for them, so much so that our edition of 300,000 is now exhausted, and we should esteem it a favour if you would announce this fact to your numerous readers to prevent them sending and being disappointed.

It is just possible, however, we shall issue another 300,000; if so, we will advise you.

With many thanks,

Yours faithfully,

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Comments and Replies.

Correspondent, Killiney.—(1) Applications for admission to Queen Alexandra's Military Nursing Service for India should be addressed to the Under Secretary of State, India Office, St. James' Park, London, S.W. (2) For appointments in the Colonies application should be made to the Secretary, Colonial Nursing Association, Imperial Institute, S.W. (3) If you wish to secure an appointment as nurse to patient travelling abroad advertise in this journal, but it is not very easy to secure what you want, and you would have to be careful as to references, and to have any agreement in writing.

Notices.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION.

TICKETS.

Admission to Congress and Exhibition.—Season Ticket, 3s., from the Hon. Secretary, N.C.N., 431, Oxford Street, London, W. Admission to Single Sessions and Exhibition, 1s. Admission to Exhibition only, 6d.

HOTELS AND PENSIONS.

The Headquarters during the Congress will be the St. Ermin's Hotel, St. James's Park, Westminster, S.W. Single bedrooms, bath, lights, and attendance, 6s. per night. Breakfast, 1s. 6d., 2s., and 3s. Luncheon, 3s. Dinner, 5s.

Cheaper hotels and apartments can be procured through Mrs. Glane, Anglo-Scandinavian Travelers' Bureau, 47, Great Portland Street, London, W., to whom application should be made at once.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

Those desirous of helping on the important movement of this Society to obtain an Act providing for the Legal Registration of Trained Nurses can obtain all information concerning the Society and its work from the Hon. Secretary, 431, Oxford Street, London, W.

An application form for those who wish to become members of the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses will be found on page iii. of cover. It will soon be too late to help on the important work of this Society. No habitual reader of this journal can, we feel sure, be content to stand aside and let others found the future Profession of Nursing. Now is the time to help.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

The Editor will at all times be pleased to consider articles of a suitable nature for insertion in this Journal—those on practical nursing are specially invited.

Such communications must be duly authenticated with name and address, and should be addressed to the Editor, 20, Upper Wimpole Street, London, W.

OUR PUZZLE COMPETITION.

Rules for competing for the Pictorial Puzzle-Prize will be found on Advertisement page xii.

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