

a copy of the splendid paper read by Lady Helen Munro Ferguson at Liverpool, and for which she was attacked in so unseemly a manner from the platform. Nothing should convince trained nurses of the urgent necessity for better professional standards than the bitter antagonism to State Registration of the persons wishing to "run" untrained nurses. We must be on the high road to success when the Central Hospital Council for London and the Holt-Ockley Council co-operate to prevent just laws for trained nurses and the protection of the public from bogus nurses.

I am, yours,

A SUPERINTENDENT OF DISTRICT NURSES.

["The Transactions of the Jubilee Congress of District Nurses," price 2s. 6d., is to be printed, and can be ordered from the Hon. Secretary, Central Home, 1, Prince's Road, Liverpool. Also, why do you not join the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, 431, Oxford Street, London, W.? All those who approve of it should come out and help those who are working so hard to raise nursing professionally.—Ed.]

THE RELATIONS OF THE LEISURED WOMAN AND THE WORKERS.

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

DEAR MADAM,—I was delighted to read the letter in your last issue signed "Trained in Ireland," is so much to the point. We working women are beginning to realise that the ignorant interference of the leisured woman, who never earned an honest penny in her life, is a public danger. In the atmosphere of her scented boudoir, or in the Presidential Chair, she evolves theories concerning our work and status which are as demoralising as they are impertinent. What do these fine ladies know of our needs and condition, of the educational standards to fit us for our skilled and expert work? Nothing. They are imbued with the instinct of patronage, and in their socially elevated status despise the woman who has to work for her bread and her covering—as if it was not much more honourable so to do than to live from birth to death as a parasite on men. I have recently returned from South Africa, and any emigration society which lands women in those colonies as domestic workers without first making sure that the new Constitution will admit them as free and full citizens, with voting power, cannot have the real good of women at heart. And it is rank rubbish sitting in Park Lane drawing-rooms suggesting to us that the Kaffir "boy" is a "man and a brother." Anyway, he won't be mine in any sphere of labour. The truth is, women who emigrate to South Africa work far harder, have much less leisure, and fewer comforts than they have at home, and I warmly support "Trained in Ireland" in her claim that if the coloured men are granted the Suffrage it will be high time for the white British woman to clear out and shake the dust of South Africa (there is plenty of it) from off her feet. It is degrading in British colonies to find well educated, indispensable women classed before the law with the dregs of all colours of the

population. We want a contingent of Suffragettes in all colonies where women are unenfranchised; as soon as they have got "Votes for Women" at home I hope they will make tracks for South Africa, as the general moral standard is deplorably low.

REGISTERED NURSE.

Notices.

THE QUINQUENNIAL MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES, THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF NURSES AND THE NURSING EXHIBITION.

TICKETS.

The Quinquennial Meeting.—July 19th, 10 a.m., Church House, Westminster, S.W. Free tickets admitting to the gallery can be obtained from the Secretary, N.C.N., 431, Oxford Street, London, W. Congress tickets admit to reserved seats.

The International Congress.—July 20th, 21st, 22nd, and 23rd. Church House, S.W., or Caxton Hall, S.W., 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 to 4 p.m. Season tickets, price 3s., can be had from the Secretary, N.C.N., 431, Oxford Street, London, W. These tickets admit to the Quinquennial Meeting of the International Council of Nurses, Church House, S.W., on July 19th, at 10 a.m., to all Congress Sessions, and to the Nursing Exhibition.

The Nursing Exhibition.—Caxton Hall, S.W., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets, price 6d., to be obtained from the Secretary, 431, Oxford Street, London. On and after July 19th the above tickets will be procurable only at the Bureau, Caxton Hall, Westminster, S.W.

Social Functions.—Tickets for the Conversazione at the Doré Gallery on July 20th, price 2s.; for the Banquet at the Gaiety Restaurant, on Wednesday, July 21st, price 10s. 6d.; as well as Railway Tickets for the Visit to Windsor Castle on Saturday, July 24th, price 2s. 6d., may still be obtained from Mrs. Walter Spencer, 35, Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, W.

CHEAP RAILWAY TICKETS.

Members of the Congress travelling, within the United Kingdom, to London will be granted by the railway companies a return ticket, available from July 17th to 26th inclusive, at a single fare and a quarter, upon surrender of a voucher signed by Miss Cutler, the Secretary, in exchange for each ticket. Vouchers will be issued with Congress tickets.

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.

OUR PUZZLE COMPETITION.

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

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