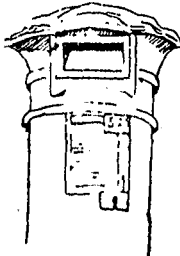


Letters to the Editor.



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.

OUR GUINEA PRIZE.

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

DEAR MADAM,—I beg to acknowledge cheque for £1 ls. received this morning, thanking you very much for same.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

(Nurse) A. W. WINRAM.

City Hospital, Comiston Road, Edinburgh.

SOCIAL REGENERATION AND THE SUFFRAGE.
To the Editor of the "British Journal of Nursing."

DEAR MADAM,—Mrs. Pankhurst has gone, and for her farewell had a thronged meeting, with hundreds turned away, in Cooper Union, with an audience made up of the "intellectuals" in the world of labour and industry—many men—all most delighted with her. She was even more wonderful, more inspiring, more intimate than before. Her earnestness was religious. I saw many women weep.

I feel that I have been privileged to live in the time of one of the world's great epochs, and to meet face to face one of the world's great figures. Long ago, even as a little girl, I used to long to have been living through the wonderful days of the emancipation of slavery. Now here is a greater emancipation movement, and I am seeing it! I was born lucky! Mrs. Pankhurst said that she did not think American women would be compelled to resort to all the methods that the English militants had been driven to use, because she thought American men had a sense of humour, and would be prevented by this sense from taking an attitude such as the English Cabinet have taken. There is a profound truth and insight in that. She is right; they would be too painfully aware of the ridiculous and pitiful figure they were cutting, and would not have the nerve to keep it up.

On her visit to the Settlement, Mrs. Pankhurst wrote in our Visitors' Book:—

"Emancipation before Social Regeneration." Here she is, I think, right in the abstract, but in practice do you know that really nine-tenths of our Suffragists have been made so solely by the experiences they have had when working at social regeneration? Had they not begun thus, going backward as it were, they would never have become enlightened as to the need for the ballot.

New York City.

LAVINIA L. DOOK.

THANKS FROM NURSE BELLAMY.

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

DEAR MADAM,—Will you kindly allow me the space to thank those of your readers who have so

kindly contributed towards the expenses of my defence fund, through Mr. Aste.

Yours faithfully,

M. BELLAMY.

111, Wakehurst Road,
Clapham Junction.

[We hear that it is probable that work will be found for Nurse Bellamy for which she is fitted.—Ed.]

Comments and Replies.

A Witness who was unable to attend the Inquiry.—Anonymous letters cannot be inserted. Send name as guarantee of authenticity.

Sister K. S., London.—We can thoroughly recommend Archer House Convalescent Home for Nurses, Ramsgate. The Lady Superintendent is a trained nurse, and as she understands nurses' requirements makes visitors most happy. We believe no charge is made.

Social Worker, Manchester.—Read "The Baby Farmer: An Exposition and an Appeal," by Robert Parr, National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, 6d. net. In this connection we are reminded of the question of cruelty in Spain. An English lady lately visiting Madrid expressed her horror of bull-fights, and observed to a Spaniard, "What a sad pity you have no Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," to which he made reply: "What a terrible pity it is you require in England a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children." We are informed such cruelty is almost unknown in Spain.

Miss Evans.—You would probably have to wait for some months to get into a hospital with a good reputation as a training school for nurses, but there are many where you can get training without paying a premium. Write to several Matrons for regulations in the first instance and then make a definite application to one for an interview. Choose a three years' course.

Pupil Midwife.—The umbilical cord of the newly-born child should always be tied after the first bath, as well as before, as it is apt to shrink in the warm water and hæmorrhage may occur after the midwife has left the house. Unless the ligature is loose, or has slipped, or it has been dragged upon during delivery, or there is disease, it is very rare for bleeding to occur.

Notices.

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.

OUR PUZZLE PRIZE.

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