

by Sister Agnes's publisher, yet we could not expect that in this land of high tariff, and on account of copyright laws, we could not have it done abroad. Putnam's contract will be made with the International Council of Nurses (Miss M. Breay, Treasurer), and they will give us ten per cent. on the retail price after the first one thousand copies, until three thousand have been sold; after that we shall get fifteen per cent. The Council will receive six free copies, and may buy for its own purposes at the rate charged to booksellers (usually one-fourth off).

I hope, therefore, that nurses will buy enough to keep our treasury nicely supplied.

L. L. DOCK.

IF

If you can keep your head when all about you  
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;  
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,  
But make allowance for their doubting, too;  
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,  
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies;  
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,  
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;

Yours is the Earth, and everything that's in it,  
And—which is more—you'll be a man, my son!  
RUDYARD KIPLING.

COMING EVENTS.

February 25th.—Central London Sick Asylum, Cleveland St. Branch. At Home, 42a, Cleveland Street. 4—8 p.m.

March 3rd.—Royal Sanitary Institute, 90, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W. First of a course of Lectures to School Teachers, Women Health Visitors, and School Nurses, 7 p.m.

March 7th.—After Care Association for Blind, Deaf, and Crippled Children. Annual Meeting, Lord George Hamilton presiding, Bridgewater House, St. James's, 3 p.m.

March 8th.—Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh. Lecture on "The Nursing of Respiratory Cases," by Dr. Harry Rainy. All trained nurses cordially invited. Extra Mural Medical Theatre. 4.30 p.m.

March 8th.—Irish Nurses' Association, 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. Lecture on "Some Surgical Conditions of the Brain," by Mr. Pearson, 7.30 p.m.

March 10th.—Association for Promoting the Training and Supply of Midwives. Seventh Annual Meeting, 24, Park Lane, W. Princess Christian will preside. 3.30 p.m.

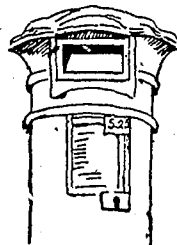
March 10th.—South-Western Polytechnic Institute, Chelsea. Sir Alfred Keogh, K.C.B., LL.D., Rector of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, presents prizes and certificates to students of evening classes and day college. Laboratories and workshops open to public inspection at 9.15 p.m.

WORD FOR THE WEEK

Mirth is God's medicine. Everybody ought to bathe in it. Grim care, moroseness, anxiety—all this rust of life ought to be scoured off by the oil of mirth. It is better than emery. Blessed is he who has a sense of the humorous. He has that which is worth more than money.

HENRY WARD BEECHER.

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 WEEKLY PRIZE.

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

DEAR MADAM,—Many thanks for the cheque, value 5s., for competition prize. I am delighted to find myself the winner. Enteric fever nursing is so absorbing and interesting I found it very difficult to keep within the 500 words limit!

Yours very truly,

EMILY MARSHALL.

123, New Bond Street, W.

UNSELFISH SUPPORT.

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

DEAR MADAM,—I must thank you for so kindly offering to keep me a seat for Saturday, the 18th, and am sincerely sorry I am not able to come to the Pageant. I have waited to see if I could arrange to do so. I regret very much I cannot under the circumstances. I take great interest in it, for I am sure State Registration is much needed, so please find enclosed 10s. in aid of the cause. I am only sorry I am not able to do more. My health broke down some time ago, and doctors suggesting that I should benefit by my native air, I came here, so I have to work up another connection, which I am pleased to say I am doing very nicely, but having to be at work Sunday morning I find it impossible to come. I trust the Pageant will be a great success, and if it is repeated later on, I hope to attend.

Having the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING weekly, I see how things are going, and am sure it is my heart's desire to see the State Registration in force. Wishing you every success, and with very kind remembrance,

Yours faithfully,

Manningham, Yorks.

M. GEORGE.

SUGGESTIONS INVITED.

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

DEAR MADAM,—We have in our English almshouse a woman who, in consequence of an operation, suffers from a chronic jerking of her whole body, worst at the head. She can nevertheless dress herself, clean out her room, and grind her coffee. I write this in the hope that some of your readers can suggest some form of occupation for the old woman (she is 64). It would be a great boon. She is not obliged to do anything, but I think she is wise to do what she can for herself, and I am sure that she would be much happier if something could be found to occupy her lonely hours.

Yours truly,

M. E. F.

St. Petersburg.

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