TREASURES OF WISDOM.

A charming calendar entitled "Treasures of Wisdom" for every-day use has been arranged by Miss Emily Janes, which as its title implies contains a wise quotation for every day of the year. As it is not dated for any special year it can be a constant friend to those who are fortunate enough to secure it. The title page bears the words "Wisdom . . . shall fill all her house with desirable things. A parable of knowledge is in the treasures of wisdom" from the Book of Ecclesiasticus, and the words of George Macdonald: "Instead of a gem, or even a flower, cast the gift of a lovely thought into the heart of a friend."

The "desirable things" have been gathered together from many diverse sources, so that none can fail to find treasures to suit their special tastes. Here are a few specimens:-

"Life is a leaf of paper white Whereon each one of us may write His word or two, and then comes night.

"Greatly begin! though thou have time But for a line, be that sublime— Not failure, but low aim, is crime."

–Löwell.

"Never bear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people bear three kinds—all they have had, all they have now, and all they expect to have."—E. E. Hall.

"We are two men each of us, the seen and the

unseen. But the unseen is the maker of the seen.

–Bishop Steere.

Each month has its special virtue—January, magnanimity; February, duty; March, self-control; April, justice; May, reverence; June, happiness; July, love; August, humility; September, steadfastness; October, courage; November, truth; December, wisdom.

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COMING EVENTS.

March 29th.—Nurses' Social Union. Lecture: "Things Which Help," by Dr. Tom Robinson. 12, Buckingham Street, Strand. 7.45 p.m. Admission 6d.

April 2nd.—Nurses' Social Union. Meeting of e Debating Society. Subject: "Suffrage," the Debating Society. Subject: "Suffrage," Miss Beatrice Kent. 12, Buckingham Street, Strand. 7.45 p.m. All members are invited to attend.

April 3rd.—Infants' Hospital, Vincent Square. Lecture on "The Biological Chemistry of Infantile Digestion," by Dr. Ralph Vincent. 3.30 p.m.

April 6th.—Irish Nurses' Association, 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. Meeting to consider the formation of a Nurses' Friendly Society.

April 15th.—Irish Nurses' Association. Lecture: "Babies," by Dr. Hastings Tweedy, 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. 7.30 p.m.

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.

LEST WE FORGET.

To the Editor of The British Journal of Nursing.

MADAM,-I am pleased to see you have moved in the matter of the Florence Nightingale Memorial, and hope my suggestions will bear fruit to remove the injustice which would undoubtedly be committed if the 49 or 50 other ladies who accompanied Miss Nightingale to the Crimea were not duly registered "for all time" on the National Memorial, wherever erected.

I have received the two following letters which

you may publish:-

[COPY.]

15, Cleveland Gardens, Hyde Park, W., March 18th, 1912.

Sir,—Referring to your letter which appears in to-day's Times, Mrs. Lucretia Whitam, formerly of 54, Cadogan Place, S.W., was one of the ladies who went out with Miss Faithful. She was for some time at the Scutari Hospital and received a commemorative brooch or badge which she showed me on her return.

Yours truly,

(Signed) FREDK. WM. YEATES.

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Ardgowan,

Greenock,

March 22nd, 1912.

Sir,—Referring to your recently published letter, I have pleasure in stating that my aunt, Miss Jane Shaw Stewart, daughter of Sir Michael Shaw Stewart, sixth Baronet, was one of the nurses who accompanied Miss Nightingale to the Crimea.

So thoroughly did she carry out her work that she was subsequently appointed Matron of Netley Hospital.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) HUGH SHAW STEWART, BART.

P.S.—She died a few years ago.

Personally I do not agree with the Earl of Pembroke in his letter dated November 19th, 1911, wherein he states: "dissatisfaction would arise if a complete list were not forthcoming "-I contend it would be better to put as many names as can be obtained rather than leave any out, and space could be left for the others to be added.

Yours faithfully,

FRANCIS KNIGHT.

Ravenscroft, Shirley Avenue, Southampton, March 24th, 1912. previous page next page