

I mun 'av joostice—joostice I will 'av, so help me God."

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Later, poor little Cuckoo Flower was laid in earth—the pity of it! Her narrow world wept for her, the parson's wife right sore.

Yet the ravening beast who had devoured the flower of her youth, and polluted her fair and tender body, went free. Man's too casual law called none to answer for this diabolical crime. Martha, grey and shattered with grief, waited on Justice. Was it not written:

"He shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child.

"If thou afflict them in any wise and they cry at all to Me, I will surely hear their cry;

"And My wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword."

ETHEL G. FENWICK.

(To be continued.)

A ROYAL BAZAAR.

The West London Hospital Bazaar to be held at the Town Hall, Chiswick, on May 8th and 9th, promises to be a delightful function and will be opened by Queen Amelie of Portugal at 3 o'clock. A very influential and energetic committee has been at work for months to make the bazaar a great success—and the fact that the Queen has entirely furnished a stall with Indian and other articles will ensure a brisk sale of Her Majesty's contributions. On each afternoon and evening there will be a succession of entertainments, concerts and side shows and the last evening everything will be sold by auction. Mrs. Shuter, who is on the Executive Committee, will be pleased to receive donations however small, at Cleveland House, Chiswick Lane, W., from friends who cannot attend. We wish great success to the undertaking—as the West London Hospital is indispensable to the poor of Hammersmith.

A JOURNALISTIC SCOOP.

"Absolutely contrary to fact," is the description applied to one-half of the allegations contained in Sir Henry Burdett's criticism of Sheffield Royal Hospital, in a report of a Special Committee of Investigation, presented at the recent quarterly meeting of the Board.

The Committee, in conclusion, can only suppose either that their critic's inspection of the Royal Hospital was "very imperfectly performed; or that, amidst the number of institutions visited, his memory of details has failed him, or his notes have been accidentally misplaced."

Why consider such allegations at all? If it amuses Sir H. Burdett to motor around in search of journalistic copy for his hospital newspapers, why help him to effect a "scoop?" Hospital committees would be wise to treat these methods of "business" with contempt

COMING EVENTS.

May 4th.—Poor Law Infirmary Matrons' Association Meeting, St. James Infirmary, Balham, S.W. (by invitation of the Matron, Miss Todd), 3.30 p.m.

May 4th.—League of School Nurses. Fancy Dress Dance, St. Bride's Institute, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 7.30 p.m.

May 6th.—Medico-Psychological Association. Preliminary Examination.

May 7th.—East End Mothers' Lying-in Home. Annual Meeting. 25, Rutland Gate, S.W. Chair, Viscount Goschen. 3.30 p.m. Tea and coffee.

May 8th and 9th.—West London Hospital Grand Bazaar, Town Hall, Chiswick. Opened by Queen Amelie of Portugal, 3 p.m., on 8th, and by Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein at 3 p.m. on 9th.

May 9th to 11th.—The Child Study Society, Annual Conference, University of London.

May 13th.—Medico-Psychological Association, Final Examination.

May 13th.—National Food Reform Association Conference. Diet in Schools. The Guildhall, E.C.

June 6th to 12th.—Nurses' Social Union, Health Conference and Exhibition, the Victoria Rooms, Clifton, Bristol. Nurses' Day, June 6th, 2 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.

"NEARER MY GOD TO THEE."

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—In the leading article in the B.J.N. for April 27th, I notice a quotation from the well-known hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee," the authorship of which you attribute to "Mrs. George Adams."

May I be allowed to say that it was written by Mrs. Sarah Flower Adams, the wife of a Unitarian minister, and herself a Unitarian and an American. I am sorry I cannot give the date. Thanking you for inserting this correction,

Yours truly,

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Lansdowne Crescent, Glasgow.

THE B.M.A. AND NURSES' REGISTRATION.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—I was delighted to read Sir Victor Horsley's remarks at the meeting of the North London Nursing Association, as reported in your issue of April 13th. He is reported to have said: "The British Medical Association was foremost in this fight at the present moment for Registration" (of trained nurses). I presume there is some foundation for this statement, or it would not have been made, and hope the British Medical Association have instructed their members

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