

What precautions are to be used with regard to the patient, the family, and yourself?

4. What symptoms appear before the appearance of the rash in measles? Name the principal complications.

5. How would you prepare in a working man's home for an abdominal section, (1) at short notice, (2) knowing a few days beforehand?

6. (a) What is meant by "Domestic" overcrowding? What are the evils, physical and moral? What could you do if such a case came under your observation? or, (b) How may a town be benefited by the work of a Tubercular Dispensary? Describe the work of a Tubercular Dispensary. Question 6 is alternative; only (a) or (b) is to be answered. Three hours is allowed for the examination.

### A TOUCHING APPEAL.

The Hon. Albinia Brodrick, of Ballincoona, Cahir Daniel, County Kerry, has written to the Lord Mayor in support of her little hospital. She says:—

"We have built it here in this poor and rugged district of Kerry in one of the spots recommended by the Viceregal Commission for the poorest of our people—and very poor they are. For their sakes I have trained and become certificated as medical and surgical nurse, midwife, and sanitary inspector, and settled down here to help our people in every way I can. Their tiny homes are overcrowded and lack the first necessities in sickness, so that nursing in them, in any adequate sense, is impossible. They suffer most unnecessarily in sickness, and constantly die from preventable causes. We are 24 miles from town and stations, and 80 from the nearest general hospital. It is heartbreaking to see the suffering which results. Our hospital is built and roofed, but we have not the funds to finish and open it. I have done my utmost, living the simplest of simple lives in my tiny farm cottage upon about 5s. a week. I have sold my beautiful old furniture, my china, knick-knacks, and jewellery, but still we cannot get sufficient money, and I am obliged to beg. We hope to be a centre of education and domestic economy, hygiene, small industries, and agriculture. Already we have brought down the exorbitant prices of provisions and supplied tested seeds and guaranteed manures for our farmers. This is a time of much possible improvement; owing to being the owners of their little holdings, our farmers are awakening, and we are anxious to take advantage of the opportunity. But the lack of money fetters us continually."

We do hope those who have the means to help Miss Brodrick in her really national bit of work, will be moved to do so by this touching appeal.

### NURSING ECHOES.

Sir Thomas Burnett, Chairman of the Directors of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Aberdeen, has received a letter sent to him by command of the Queen, in which the following passages occur:—

I am desired to express Her Majesty's appreciation of the excellent arrangements made for her visit to the Sick Children's Hospital.

The Queen was much interested in all that she saw, and she hopes that the directors may soon be in a position to proceed with the erection of a more suitable building on a better site.

Her Majesty will always retain a pleasant recollection of her visit to Aberdeen yesterday.

As the natural result of the Queen's visit, interest has been aroused in the hospital. Someone proposes all "Marys" in the neighbourhood shall make a personal effort in support of the Building Fund, and Miss Margaret Grant Smith reminds the community of the great debt of gratitude owed to those remarkable sisters, Miss Rachel and Miss Katherine M. Lumsden, for their devotion to the sick children in the district, through years of honorary superintendence of the Children's Hospital. Miss Smith writes: "Might not all, with other names than 'Mary,' who bear a kindly feeling towards the sick young folks, unite in contributing their sovereigns or their shillings towards the Building Fund of the Sick Children's Hospital, in recognition of the labours of its two first honorary superintendents—Miss Rachel Frances and Miss Katherine M. Lumsden." She considers that their pioneer work has never been sufficiently recognised by the citizens of Aberdeen.

A correspondent writes:—

"On Tuesday, September 17th, about 7.30 p.m., news came to Liverpool that there had been a railway accident at Ditton Junction, and probably some of the injured would be sent to the Royal Infirmary.

"Members of our medical staff hurried to the scene of the disaster, and others remained in readiness for the arrival of the victims.

"Directions were at once given and all preparations made by the nurses, so that when the sufferers were brought in about 9 o'clock a band of willing workers, composed of doctors and nurses, were ready to give every possible care and attention to alleviate their pain. Oh!

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