

clear colour. The treatment of a *scald* consists in pricking the blisters, to let out the effusion; care to be taken that no skin be removed, and dressing with olive oil and lime water, or flour; the dressings not to be removed for two or three days unless offensive. One wound to be dressed and finished before another one is exposed to the air; *burns* or *scalds* brought in contact with the air cause great pain and intense suffering to the patient.

Third degree occurs when the cutis is almost destroyed.

Fourth degree, the cutis is completely destroyed, though the patient feels little or no pain, the part affected being dead. In the fourth degree the burn is a very long time healing, and leaves a scar. Often the skin contracts and forms ridges; there is then great deformity. In treating burns the edges ought to be kept apart, and the surface allowed to heal slowly.

Fifth degree comes on when there is complete destruction of the tissues down to the bone.

Sixth degree, there is the total loss or destruction of the limb.

In the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth degrees there is much sloughing, in consequence of there being a great deal of dead substance; before healing, the sloughing will cease. During the time the wound is sloughing, poultices, either linseed or charcoal, should be applied and changed constantly.

### NURSING ECHOES.

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THE fourth annual report of the Barton-on-Humber District Nursing Society has reached me, which shows that 132 patients have been visited, 3,303 visits being paid. It is a record of a very useful year's work.

I HAVE much pleasure in giving publicity to the objects of the London Hospitals League, founder and Hon. Secretary, the Lady Constance Howard. This League has been formed for the purpose of making articles of clothing suitable for men, women and children, the articles to be sent once a quarter to the secretaries of the different London Hospitals, and distributed by them to the patients. Terms of membership, three shillings per annum, payable on the 1st of February. Each member to make *not less* than four articles of clothing annually, *one* article to be sent quarterly, namely: March 15, June 15, September 15, December 15 (when the 15th falls on a Sunday, then to be sent on the 14th), to Lady Constance Howard, 34, Evelyn Gardens, Cranley Gardens, London, S.W. All parcels to be carriage paid. A list of articles most acceptable is given, but members may really make whatever suits them best. If any member likes to forward more than the specified number of articles, they will be most thankfully received. Quilts of various descriptions, night gowns, dressing gowns, shawls, bed jackets, sleeping socks. These to remain the property of the Hospitals to which they are distributed. The following to be presents to the patients in the various Hospitals at the time of distribution:— Petticoats (lindsey, print, flannel, knitted and crochet), woollen slippers, babies' shoes, stockings, socks, dresses and frocks (stuff and print), babies' frocks, muffatees, mittens, comforters, woollen caps (men and women), chemises, men and boys' shirts (woollen, flannel and calico), aprons, pinafores, waistcoats, shawls of all kinds, woollen gloves. The subscriptions of members will defray the expenses of sending the parcels of clothing to the different Hospitals, of which there are between seventy and eighty, and of any printing connected with the League, stationery and postage. Parcels of cast-off clothing, old linen, flannel, print, stuff, calico, game, poultry, vegetables, fruit, cocoa, coffee, tea, cut flowers, pots of flowers, books, scrap books, magazines, newspapers, picture and other screens, pictures and prints framed and unframed, texts, new and broken toys, yarn and wool to be knitted into warm clothing, Christmas and New Year cards, eau de Cologne, smelling salts, arm chairs, annual subscriptions and donations; indeed, *anything* that will, even for a short time, conduce to the comfort and amusement of some poor suffering soul in this great Metropolis, will be promptly acknowledged and most gratefully received by Lady Constance Howard.

THE Nurses of the City of London Union are to have some lectures delivered to them. This is how the little comedy worked out at the last meeting of the Guardians:—

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