

as usual, be very pretty. It seems that there will this year be no set Concert, but that one Band will perform in the Galleries, and another in the Princes' Hall during the whole evening, and that the Hall will be given up entirely to the refreshment buffets, so that there will be abundant space, and any overcrowding rendered impossible. Finally, I hear that the most popular of Society entertainers has once more promised, most generously and kindly, to give one of his inimitable musical sketches. It is quite needless, therefore, to do more than congratulate those Members and their friends who have been fortunate enough to obtain tickets, upon the very pleasant evening in store for them.

THE greatest regret is expressed in Edinburgh at the death of Miss Helen Neville. She was working in connection with the Jubilee Institute for Nurses, and was sent to assist in nursing the late Lady Rosebery. While performing that duty she was herself attacked—as was mentioned in our issue of November 27—by the same disease—typhoid fever—which ran a very similar course in both cases. She was admitted into the Fever Hospital at Edinburgh on November 5th, and died on the 25th. I am glad to hear that no ill effects have occurred to her three co-workers.

I AM glad to note that the Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital is one of the many institutions in the country which are looking into the question of the treatment of Nurses, and making improvements wherever they seem to be desirable. Steps, for example, have recently been taken to increase the amount of accommodation for its *employees*. The reputation of the Hospital stands deservedly high in nursing circles, and its example in many particulars might well be commended to more than one great Metropolitan institution.

A VERY useful little pamphlet, issued by the Sanitas Company, has reached me, entitled, "Sanitas Oil, considered in its relation to the Pine treatment of winter cough, influenza, bronchitis, diphtheria, consumption, and other affections of the lungs and throat"—rather a long title, but the book is interesting in spite of this, and contains full and ample directions for the use of the Sanitas preparations.

I HEAR that Miss J. Burrows has been appointed Head Nurse at the West Riding Asylum, Wakefield. Miss Burrows was engaged there as Nurse for a period of nine and a-half years, leaving in June last year to take up the post of Head Nurse at the Rubery Hill Asylum, Broms-

grove, which post she gave up on the 30th of last month, to enter upon her new and important, but familiar, duties at Wakefield.

MR. H. K. LEWIS, of 136, Gower Street, W.C., has forwarded to me some specimen Nursing charts, which are described as "Lewis's Nursing Charts." The charts, which are convenient in size, afford a ready means of recording and observing day by day the progress of any case of illness. Space is provided in which the treatment and diet ordered are written. The various columns allow of noting the details of the temperature, state of the pulse, quantity of sleep, nutriment taken, brandy, wine, and medicine administered, with the hours throughout the day and night. Space is also given in which other observations and remarks of the Nurse are to be recorded, and further details may be written on the back of the chart. A specimen chart sent on receipt of 1d. stamp. Cases to hold the charts, price 1s.; by post, 1s. 1d.; 20 charts, with case, post free for 2s. Prices, carriage free, 20, 1s.; 50, 2s.; 100, 3s. 6d.; 250, 7s. 6d.; 500, 14s.; 1,000, 25s. Larger quantities are supplied for use of Hospitals, Infirmarys, and other Institutions, with specially printed heading. For which I have nothing but praise; they are comprehensive, and yet occupy very little space. My Nursing friends and readers should try them.

MISS MARY SPANTON, M.B.N.A., the successful candidate in the last post-card examination competition, has chosen for her prize "Rob Roy in the Baltic," and also "A Thousand Miles in the Rob Roy Canoe," both of which are interesting books. This lady writes:—"I think it is so satisfactory to us all to find that there is no favouritism shown in the awarding of the post-card examination prizes."

SISTER ABELL, of the Queen's Hospital, Birmingham, who after a faithful service of ten years' duration at that Institution, has resigned to take up a more important post in London, has recently been presented by the Surgical and Medical Staff, Lady Superintendent, Sisters, and Nurses, with a handsome Crown Derby afternoon tea service, and a case of silver spoons, as a mark of esteem and regard. This pleasing recognition cannot fail but prove an incentive to all those engaged in nursing work.

ALL the way from the Kimberley diamond fields I have the following interesting information:—"The annual course of lectures on Theoretical and Practical Nursing has just been concluded

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