

from the villa are very glorious. The house stands in the remains of the famous Bosquet de Julie, where in the spring-time the narcissus, the violet, and the primrose abound. The spirit of the clever, if wildly imaginative, authoress of "Wormwood" will be in accordance with the romantic scene and with *his* who once called this beautiful home his own, and dreamt of Heloise as he watched the calm, placid waters wash the deep foundations of the grim, cold castle of Chillon.

THERE is an interesting article in this month's *Work and Leisure* on the Gentlewoman's Employment Club. *Work and Leisure* is altogether a clever and well-written little magazine, and deserves to be better known.

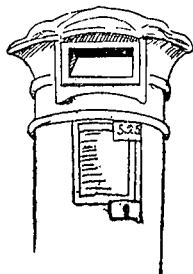
VEVA KARSLAND.

### "NURSING RECORD" BENEVOLENT FUND.

Mrs. Sarah Duyck, aged 48, is a widow, and has broken her leg so badly, that she will probably be a cripple for the rest of her life, besides dislocating one shoulder some years ago, so that she is even unable to use her crutches for long at a time.

Mrs. Duyck wishes to obtain an annuity of £20 a year from the British Home for Incurables. To do this at least 1,000 votes must be procured from subscribers to the Institution. Lists of subscribers can be obtained by sending eight stamps to the offices, 73, Cheapside, E.C.

Will every reader of this journal please do what she or he can to obtain votes for this sad case—to assist, in however small a measure, to bear another's burden? Such help will be gratefully welcomed by the Editor, *Nursing Record*, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, London, E.C., and all subscriptions, &c., will be duly acknowledged.



### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

(Notes, Queries &c.)

*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.*

*We shall be happy to answer, as far as we can, all questions submitted to us.*

### NURSING EDUCATION.

To the Editor of "*The Nursing Record*."

Dear Sir,—Your admirable Editorials on this subject deserve the earnest attention of the Nursing profession, for

in my humble judgment upon this question of "Higher Nursing Education" the whole *upward* future of the Nursing profession depends.

In an article I contributed to the *Nursing Record*, No. 51, March 21, 1889, on "Amateur Nursing," I observed that the "teaching opportunities afforded by our Hospitals should be made available for the formation of Schools of Nursing, which would be of immense benefit to the Nursing profession, and give to the public a good supply of skilful and reliable Nurses, and extend still more the benefits of the Hospitals to the community at large." I also contend that the chairs of those Nursing Schools should be held by women engaged in the nursing art, in its various branches, viz.: Medical, Surgical, Obstetrical, and the special nursing required for children, and Nursing hygiene. The corner-stone of the system would be that women should pay for their nursing education, and like the Members of the Medical profession, give gratuitous service to the Hospitals when professionally competent to do so.—I am, Sir, yours truly,

MARIAN HUMFREY.

### SPECIAL PRIZE.

*A Book or Books of the value of Half-a-Guinea will be given to the Competitor whose Sketch, in pen and ink, of a Badge most suitable for the British Nurses' Association shall be considered the best.*

#### RULES.

- 1.—Anyone can compete provided such Competitor be engaged in Nursing work, and the Competition is therefore open to Probationers.
- 2.—The sketch must be drawn with pen and black ink on cards not less than four inches square.
- 3.—The colours to be used must also be quoted—for example, state whether silver on blue ground, gold on crimson, and so on.
- 4.—Say what part of the dress the badge should be fixed to.
- 5.—Sketches must reach the office of THE NURSING RECORD not later than Saturday, December 13th next.
- 6.—The umpires' decision to be final.

### COMPETITIVE PRIZE ESSAY. TWENTY-FIRST COMPETITION.

*A Book or Books of the value of One Guinea will be awarded for an Essay upon the following subject:—*

*"Write a Story, founded upon your own actual experience, suitable for Christmas reading, the subject being left entirely to yourself."*

#### RULES.

- 1.—Contributions must reach the Editor, at the office of THE NURSING RECORD, not later than Saturday, December 13th, addressed as follows:—"Prize Essay Competition, THE NURSING RECORD, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, London, E.C."
  - 2.—Manuscript must be written distinctly in ink and on one side of the paper only, upon not less than 24 nor more than 48 pages of ordinary-sized ruled sermon paper. The pages must be numbered and fastened together.
  - 3.—The real and full name and address (stating whether Miss or Mrs., of the Competitor must be inscribed on the back of each contribution, and notification of which Hospital or Institution the Competitor has been or is attached to.
  - 4.—Trained Nurses or those personally associated with Nursing work only allowed to compete.
- Winners in previous Competitions are permitted to compete, but in case of a "tie" the prize would be awarded to the Competitor who has not secured a prize before.
- The decision of the Prize Essay Editor to be final, and any infringement of the above Rules will be considered a disqualification.
- NOTICE.—The Prize Essay Editor will not undertake to return MSS. unless accompanied with a sufficiently stamped addressed envelope; and in no case will he be responsible for any loss of same during transmission, &c. In no case must manuscripts be rolled up when sent by post; they must be folded.

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