

the head of a large training school. If she sees this correspondence we should like to know what her fate has been.—ED.]

GOOD WORK WELL DONE.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—I feel sure your readers would be interested in hearing of the good work done in this district of Caherdaniel by Lady Dudley's Jubilee Nurse.

For the last seven and a half years one of these nurses has been working here in this distant part of Co. Kerry and has done incalculable good, both in saving life and in teaching the people the value of hygiene and the treatment of sickness.

We are just losing Nurse Gordon who has been with us for four years. During last year she paid over 1,300 visits to patients and attended 44 midwifery cases. Only one of the latter proved fatal, and that was a foregone conclusion. She was out in the most inclement winter weather, often all night as well as all day and never spared herself. Her one thought was to alleviate suffering.

She is most deeply regretted but we all feel certain her successor, Nurse Brady, will be equally self-sacrificing and devoted to her work.

This is a very poor district and it is difficult to collect the sum requisite to support the Nurse. If any of your readers would give us any help it would be most gratefully received by me, and acknowledged in the annual report of Lady Dudley's Nursing Fund, and also in this Journal.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

(Miss) SYBIL O'CONNELL.

Darrynane Abbey,

Waterville, Co. Kerry.

[Lady Dudley's Scheme for nursing the very poor in their own homes in Ireland, is worthy of all the support which can be given to it. The nurses are thoroughly trained and trustworthy, and the poor are being provided with a quality of nursing which cannot be excelled—the only standard of help in our opinion that their richer neighbours should be permitted to provide for them.—ED.]

AN ANTI-SUFFRAGE "HOWLER."

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—We have had the non-militant Suffrage Pilgrims with us in Exeter—and to show you the absurd ignorance of the anti-suffrage press, I enclose the following paragraph on Florence Nightingale, whose banner was held on high by a trained nurse, which appeared in the *Devon and Exeter Gazette*.

"After the meeting the procession, banners, and all wended their way up the Fore Street Hill, and a further meeting was held in the Triangle, at the bottom of Paris Street. Here the banners again made a fine display. Some of their mottoes I

could understand; but why on earth should the Suffragists drag in saintly Florence Nightingale as a champion of women's rights? That good woman, I always understood, sacrificed health and wealth in doing what was essentially a woman's work—tending the sick and wounded. My history may be at fault, but I don't know that she ever asked for the vote. If she had, I don't doubt that she would have got it, for she had proved her worth to men. She was content to do what was at hand. Then poor Boadicea was also dragged in, and so was Joan of Arc. These two, we know, kicked over the trammels of sex disqualification, and did man's work. But one was a savage, and the other was something above human, and was regarded by her soldiers as a spiritual being sent by Heaven to their aid. And both fought for their country; the question of sex was lost in the urgency of the moment."

Yours truly,

ONE OF THE PILGRIMS.

[We have alluded to this "howler" in the "Women" column.—ED.]

REPLIES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Miss T. Evans (Cardiff).—We should advise you to obtain a knowledge of some special branch—either fever nursing, midwifery, or massage, before taking up private nursing.

School Nurse (London).—The Mothers' Clubs and Teachers' Organisations in New York publish some very valuable little books in the "Teaching Truth Series" as a course of study. Amongst them "Practical Motherhood," "Preparation for Parenthood," "Child, Home, and School," "Boy and Girl Adolescence," "Children's Diet," "American Motherhood," "Almost a Man," "Almost a Woman," "Teaching Truth," "Ideal Married Life," "Parents' Problems." The price list can be obtained from The Arthur H. Crist Co., 190, Main Street, Cooperstown, N.Y.

A London Hospital Sister.—"Holidays in Ireland" is the title of an attractive brochure issued by the Larne and Stranraer Steamship Joint Company. The book gives a statement of the attractions of Ireland, and is profusely illustrated with views of the gems of Irish scenery. There are upwards of two hundred photographic reproductions, portraying the country from the grey hills of Donegal to the laughing vales of Cork, from the fascinating coasts of Antrim and Down to the glamorous fastnesses of Connemara and Kerry. The book is sent post free for 3d. from the office of the Larne and Stranraer Steamers, 21, Waring Street, Belfast.

OUR PRIZE COMPETITIONS.

July 26th.—How would you feed, and what means would you take to relieve a patient with an acute attack of indigestion?

August 2nd.—Describe your happiest holiday.

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