

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

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.

THE MURDER OF MISS CAVELL.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

MADAM,—Miss Cavell had been nursing German officers. Is it not time that every English woman should refuse, resolutely and absolutely, ever to nurse another? Let them be looked after by orderlies.

Faithfully yours,

MACLEOD YEARSLEY.

59, Queen Anne Street,
Cavendish Square, W.

AN ARMY NURSING SCANDAL.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—After reading the account in the *Daily Mail*, with regard to the meeting of protest held against the committee's action towards Miss Florence Tubbs, I feel that I must write and convey to you the heartiest sympathy of myself and other nurses lately working with me at a local Red Cross hospital, who were forced, together with five medical officers, to withdraw our services, which were voluntarily given, as a protest against very similar actions on the part of the local hospital committee. I see that you contemplate interviewing the Secretary for War, and hope that you will be successful in getting an inquiry into the matter, as it seems scandalous that at this time, when we are constantly being told how badly trained nurses are needed, that so much good work can be spoiled by these kind of actions.

Wishing you every success,

Yours faithfully,

ELIZABETH WATERS,

Lady Superintendent, *Hunts*. 62

Southsea.

A USEFUL DEPOT.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—I shall be much obliged if you will make the following known:—

The Chester and District Hospital and Ambulance Requirements Association has been formed to make articles such as padded splints, crutches, bed-tables, screens &c. We are already disposing of some two hundred articles a week, for which we charge only the bare cost of material; and we are willing to supply, on the same terms, any organisation or society which is dealing with our or our Allies' wounded.

Full particulars and prices will be given upon application.

Yours faithfully,

DORA FROST,

Mayoress and President.

The Mayor's Parlour, Chester.

WOMEN AND HEALTH AUTHORITIES.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

MADAM,—As there will this year be no elections to Town Councils and Metropolitan Borough Councils on November 1st, most of the Councils now re-assembling after the summer holidays will shortly be filling casual vacancies, as provided by the National Registration and Elections Act.

We would beg attention to the great advantage that it would be to the nation to secure the co-operation on every Public Health Authority of two or more women of judgment and experience. Every year brings new enactments that strengthen the argument, *e.g.*, Health Authorities have now been empowered to establish Maternity and Infant Welfare Centres, and for these it is certain that the supervision of women is required.

There are men who in the past have urged the peculiar appropriateness of co-option as a method for placing on public bodies the most wisely selected women. Others have thought differently, but in this year all must desire that the method in question shall be widely utilised for the purpose. That rests with the members of the Councils, since they alone can nominate, and they alone elect. But the representatives of a ward in which a vacancy occurs are accessible, and so are their fellow Councillors. One or more may be glad to have suggested to them the nomination of some suitable woman whose election would reflect credit on the Council.

I am, yours faithfully,

ANNIE LEIGH BROWNE,

Hon. Sec. Women's Local Govt. Society,
19, Tothill Street, S.W.

OUR PRIZE COMPETITIONS.

October 30th.—State briefly what you know of the symptoms and treatment of Thrush, Snuffles and Convulsions in the newly-born.

November 6th.—State what you know about the physiology of the open-air treatment.

FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.

Candidates for the French Flag Nursing Corps service in France can be interviewed by arrangement with the Hon. Secretary, 60, Nevern Square, Earl's Court, S.W. Mrs. Bedford Fenwick will be at 431, Oxford Street, W., on Friday, Oct. 22nd, and Monday, Oct. 25th, from 2.30 to 5 p.m., to see candidates, who must be well educated and hold a certificate for three years' training. Experience in fever nursing is an additional advantage.

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