

by the "essential qualification of each individual." We contend that the sentence is arrant nonsense—mere vacuous verbosity. From all we hear from different parts of the country, those who have promulgated this statement will be called upon to explain their explanations. In another column we print the resolutions which we are now criticising, and will conclude our consideration of them next week.

☞ TO OUR READERS.—Part II. of "Obstetric Nursing," by "Obstetrica, M.B.N.A.," will commence in our next issue.

### The "Nursing Record" POST-CARD EXAMINATIONS.

No. 17.

A Book or Books of the value of Five Shillings will be awarded to the best answer to the following question, addressed, "Nursing Record Post-Card Competition," St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, E.C. All answers to this question to reach us not later than the morning of Saturday, April 4th, 1891. —

"Describe the best method of making Calf's Foot Jelly."

(a) The answer must be written (neatness and distinctness count to credit) in ink, on a *thick* post-card, with the full name and address of the candidate at the top. The successful candidate's answer will be printed in *fac-simile*.

(b) All associated with nursing work are accepted as candidates, but in case of a "tie" a subscriber will naturally have preference, and for this reason each candidate must mention at the bottom of the post-card, "I am a subscriber," or "I obtain the NURSING RECORD from———"

(c) The decision of the Examiners to be final.

\* Give name and address of newsagent where obtained.

### NURSING ECHOES.

\*\* All communications must be duly authenticated with name and address, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

THE intention of her Majesty the Queen to visit Derby on Thursday, May 21, to lay the foundation-stone of the new Derbyshire Infirmary, has been officially notified to the Mayor of the town. The edifice is a magnificent building, which is to be erected at a cost of £74,000, the present Infirmary having been condemned owing to sanitary defects. The Queen has



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arranged to pay the visit on her way to Scotland, travelling by the Midland Railway.

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It is hoped that her Majesty will drive into the centre of the town to receive the address of the Corporation; while the inhabitants of the Manor of Litchurch, of which the Queen is Lady, are also desirous of expressing their loyalty. Her Majesty has thrice before visited Derby, but never for a ceremonial or official purpose. Her first visit was on August 19, 1832, in the pre-railroad days, when, in company with the Duchess of Kent, her mother, she drove through on her way to Chatsworth; and in 1845, accompanied by the Prince Consort, *en route* for the same place; and in 1849, when the Queen stayed for a night on her journey south from Scotland.

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PRINCESS CHRISTIAN, as President of the Trained Nurses' Annuity Fund, presided at a meeting of those interested in this charity, held at Lady Bloomfield's house at Queen's Gate Gardens. Among those present were Lady Bloomfield, Lady Boothby, Miss Robertson, General Bradford, Captain the Hon. N. Yorke, Mr. White, and Mr. R. Gofton Salmond (hon. secretary). The report for the past year, which was adopted, shows that twelve poor Nurses are provided for by this charity. One was elected to a vacant pension and two more placed on the list of candidates, of which there are now fourteen.

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THE following are the resolutions unanimously adopted at a meeting of representatives of Hospitals and Nurses' Training Schools, held at St. Thomas's Hospital, on Friday, Feb. 27:—

That this Meeting of Representatives of Nurse Training Schools and others desires to enter its protest against the conferring by the Board of Trade upon the British Nurses' Association the privilege which it seeks, *viz.*, a licence to register without the word "*Limited*" to its name, in pursuance of the provisions of the 23rd section of the Companies' Act, 1867—

For the following reasons, *viz.* :—

(1) That the main object of the British Nurses' Association is to "form, control, and carry on a Register of Trained Nurses, or to take over, control and carry on any such Register as may have been, or shall hereafter be, established by any person or persons, or association, whether incorporated or not"; or, in other words, to establish and control a General Register of Nurses, which shall possess an authoritative character.

(2) That a General Register, containing, as it ought, in

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