

which are the genuine original products, made in the same British factories, by the same unique processes, and the same British chemical and technical staff as the German firm employed, which is the secret of their great success. Sanatogen (the name of which the firm has announced that it intends to change to Genatosan at a future date) is a tonic food frequently prescribed during convalescence after serious illnesses, on account of its effect as an energiser of the nervous system, as our readers are aware, and Formamint is a mouth and throat disinfectant in tablet form. The Chairman of the Company is the Viscountess Rhonda.

COMING EVENTS.

May 23rd.—Guy's Hospital Past and Present Nurses' League. Dinner 7 p.m. Annual meeting 8 p.m. Nurses' Home, Guy's Hospital, S.E. 1.

May 23rd.—Annual Meeting, East London Nursing Society, Chapter House, St. Paul's. 3 p.m.

May 30th to June 6th.—Nurses' Missionary League Summer "Camp" for Nurses. Old Jordan's Hotel, Beaconsfield.

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.

NURSES GREATLY NEEDED IN INDIA. LADY MINTO'S INDIAN NURSING ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING

DEAR MADAM,—Before I left England in 1917, several of the Sisters and Nurses who had worked with me expressed a wish to come to India to join this Association when released from military duty.

Unfortunately I have not their addresses with me, and I shall, therefore, be much obliged if you will insert this letter in your paper, hoping that it will be seen by the nurses who still wish to come out to me.

Good nurses are greatly needed in India, and the life has many attractions.

The pay in the Association commences at £76 per annum, rising to £114. Everything is provided, including passage out and home; uniform allowance and holiday allowance.

The Sisters are now allowed to contribute 15 per cent. of their monthly salary to the Provident Fund, to which is added a bonus of 50 per cent. plus 5 per cent. bank interest.

The work is principally private nursing, but an increasing number of small hospitals and nursing homes are now being staffed by the Association, and every Sister coming out should be prepared to take her share in this part of the work. Three years' general training and a certificate for maternity nursing are required, and good health is an essential.

The Homes in the various Provinces are very comfortable, and almost every Branch has a "hill station."

I shall indeed be glad to welcome any number of good nurses on my staff, feeling sure that our work can be greatly extended and is sorely needed in India.

All particulars can be obtained from Dame Sidney Browne, G.B.E., R.R.C., 80, Pall Mall, S.W., London.

Yours faithfully,

RUTH E. DARBYSHIRE,
Chief Lady Superintendent.

Viceregal Lodge, Simla.

NURSING STAFF QUITE CONTENTED.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—Will you please have the enclosed collective letter published in the next number of your Journal?

This is urgent, since we members of the nursing staff of the British Farmers' Hospital in Brussels naturally feel very strongly on the matter.

Yours faithfully,

MABEL L. STOKES, *Matron*.

British Farmers' Hospital, Brussels.

COLLECTIVE LETTER.

The Matron and nursing staff of the British Farmers' Hospital in Brussels are indignant and wish to protest against an article which appeared in *The Hospital*, number of April 26th, 1919, entitled "The River Past and God Forgotten."

In it there is a general misrepresentation of the facts, which we will not discuss, because they come outside our province. The only matter we wish to take up is the allegations which concern the nursing staff.

The salaries and demobilization bonus are overdue through no fault of the British Farmers' Committee, but owing, we think, apparently to lack of cohesion between the London and Boulogne offices of the British Red Cross Society.

However, knowing that the Joint War Committee have to deal with the demobilization of hundreds of personnel, we are willing enough to wait patiently. The members of the British Farmers' Committee have been doing their best to get out of this difficulty as soon as possible. The nursing staff have always received the utmost consideration at their hands and are proud to work for them. They are quite happy and contented in Brussels. The delay in the payment of salaries and demobilization bonus has been a little inconvenient, but not one formal complaint has been made. The nursing sisters are not penniless, each one had received regularly the proportion of her salary which she had asked might be paid to her while abroad.

The Sisters are so sure that their interests are safe in the hands of the British Farmers' Committee, that no one wished to make any fuss about the matter.

["The British Farmers'" have contributed in the most munificent manner for the care of the sick and wounded during the war.—Ed.]

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