



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

(Notes, Queries, &amp;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.*

PROPOSED MEMORIAL TO THE LATE  
MISS FREEMAN,  
MANY YEARS LADY SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ROYAL  
COUNTY HOSPITAL, WINCHESTER.  
*To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."*

SIR,—May we beg you to kindly allow us through your widely-read paper to bring to the notice of those many Nurses who were trained at the Royal County Hospital, Winchester, under the late Miss Freeman, and who cannot fail to remember her with regard and gratitude, that it has been suggested a small memorial, such as a brass, should be placed in the chapel of the Hospital she loved so well.

As it is impossible for us to discover the addresses of all her former Nurses, we venture to hope you will kindly assist us in making this suggestion known. Will any who approve, and wish to contribute, communicate with Miss Gwyn, Royal Bath Hospital, Harrogate.—We are, Sir, yours faithfully,

CHRISTINA FORREST,  
Lady Superintendent, County Hospital, York.  
JULIA BIRMINGHAM,  
Late Matron, The Hospital, Bromley.  
L. D'ARCY,  
The College, Winchester.  
ANNA A. GWYN,  
Lady Superintendent, Royal Bath Hospital,  
Harrogate.

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*Matron.*—We should certainly advise you to wear uniform if you are going to receive the Badge at the hands of your President. We cannot imagine a good reason for Nurse Members objecting to the Badge, as they must have become accustomed to outward and visible signs of their occupation by this time. Caps, aprons, cloaks, and bonnets, are all badges. The metal badge is only a sign of co-operation—a combination for the purpose of organisation and reform—and we hope those who desire to wear it will do so. Progress in reform of all kinds is slow, but staunch courage is the deadliest weapon with which to combat abuses.

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