

of five guineas is to be awarded, should reach the office as early as possible, as, owing to the number of those already received, the duty of awarding is rendered more difficult if the caps are only delivered at the very last moment.

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I AM requested to state that H.R.H. the Duchess of Albany has graciously expressed her intention of being present on Saturday next, July 25, at three p.m., to present the certificates awarded to ladies on a course of lectures on domestic hygiene at the Sanitary Institute.

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THE *Evening News and Post* supplies us with the following piece of very unsatisfactory information:—

"A SHOREDITCH SENSATION.—Lax Discipline in the Workhouse; Resignation of a Medical Officer.—Discipline has never been a feature of the internal administration of Shoreditch Workhouse. Only a short time back the Chaplain, owing to neglect of duty, was called upon to resign, and yesterday the weakness in this respect was still further exemplified. It appears that the Night Superintendent and one of the Nurses flatly refused to carry out the orders of Dr. Winn, who is acting temporarily for the Medical Officer during his annual leave. The House Committee found that the charges were substantiated, and cautioned both women. This, however, did not satisfy Dr. Winn, who complained at yesterday's meeting that he had been subjected to a gross insult, and that a serious breach of the regulations had taken place. Notwithstanding the caution, there was still a tendency to disregard his orders, and unless something was done he could not remain there. The Rev. H. P. Kelly said that the circumstances showed that a gross act of insubordination had been committed, and moved that the officer be dismissed. Mr. Alabaster seconded, but the amendment was negatived. Dr. Winn thereupon intimated that he should leave the service of the Board within forty-eight hours, and seeing that there are five hundred patients in the Infirmary, the Clerk was given full power to make the best arrangements he could."

These are the sort of things one would much rather have left unreported, but for the absolute necessity of exposing on every possible occasion matters, like these, that ought to be exposed.

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THE Coventry Hospital Saturday Collections realised £88 11s. 10½d., being £11 8s. 9d. more than the amount obtained last year, which is decidedly encouraging and gratifying. Mrs. Kavanagh, the Matron, together with the Nursing Staff of the Coventry Hospital, head the list with the substantial sum of £12 os. 2d., and deserve every credit for their indefatigable exertions.

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THE Thirty-second Annual Report for the year 1890, of the National Hospital for the Paralysed

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and Epileptic, Queen's Square, Bloomsbury, W.C.—one of the most deserving charities in the kingdom—has reached me. The report and balance-sheets are arranged in a most business-like manner, "understandable" by the veriest tyro, and for which Mr. B. Burford Rawlings is responsible. The general receipts have increased; the number of in-patients have reached 847, against 747 in 1889; and 25,267 out-patients have had attendance. A very excellent feature is the "Pension Fund for the Incurable," which I should like to see increased a hundredfold. The whole machinery of this splendid and indispensable Hospital works smoothly and absolutely without internal or external friction.

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THE Report for last year of the Grosvenor Hospital for Women and Children, Vincent Square, Westminster, is also pleasant reading, showing an increase of a most useful work in a most deserving cause and district. Miss Hughes, the Lady Superintendent, and everyone connected with its management are to be congratulated.

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I HAVE much pleasure in announcing the appointment of Mrs. Annie H. Lane to the Matronship of the District Asylum, Omagh, Co. Tyrone, Ireland. Mrs. Lane has had a very considerable and thorough training in the various branches of Nursing work, and distinguished herself at the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, by obtaining the second prize in Surgical Nursing, and the third place in Medical Nursing at the Surgical and Medical Examinations held at that institution in 1890. Mrs. Lane's testimonials (the neat arrangement of which we compliment her upon) are of the highest possible kind, and fully prove her fitness for the responsible position she has just obtained, in which I cordially wish her every success.

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I DON'T think that I shall be very much out of order in mentioning in these "Echoes" that if the readers of this are anything like the writer, they will have to consider what they spend on dress and how to make it. I have been so pleased with some materials procured from Mr. C. Williamson, 91, Edgware Road, that I would just like to tell my friends about a few of them. There was one in particular that took my fancy, at sixpence three-farthings per yard: it was an Irish linen, with a neat little check or stripe woven in, that would make up into such pretty washing dresses. Being of a brownish tint it would not soil so quickly; and an embroidery trimming being made to match, at fourpence three-farthings per yard, one can easily look both

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