Dublin, where the constable was a patient, was accepted, but unhappily her sacrifice did not avail,

as the patient died notwithstanding.

It is the fashion nowadays to say that the day of devotion on the part of nurses to the sick is past, so may I point out that this is the second instance within a week of nurses volunteering to give their blood to save life, the other instance being that reported by the Chairman of the Willesden Guardians, who informed the Board that several of the nursing staff had volunteered to give their blood to save the life of the late Matron, Miss Hill, and that the nurse whose offer was accepted gave a pint of blood. The sacrifice in this case also was unhappily unavailing, Miss Hill dying from pernicious anæmia.

Nurses have much to learn before as a class they realise their duty to their profession, and show devotion to its interests, but personally I have never found them lacking in devotion to the sick.

Yours faithfully, S. R. N.

THE USE OF PUBLICITY.

To the Editor of The British Journal of Nursing.

Dear Madam,—We feel very much indebted to you and The British Journal of Nursing for so generously responding to our request and locating a former superintendent of nurses of the Eversfield Hospital, St. Leonards-on-Sea. As a result of your efforts, we are now able to get in touch with Miss Coleman, and no doubt this will result in the completion of the membership enrolment of Miss Dora Collings. We have sent this good news to Miss Collings.

Sincerely yours,

PEARL H. BRAITHWAITE,

Eligibility Secretary.

National Organization for Public

Health Nursing,

New York City.

COLLEGE IDEALS.

We have received a letter from Captain W. G. Willcox, Organizing Secretary of the Appeal and Publicity Department for the British Legion—Field-Marshal Earl Haig's Appeal for Ex-Service Men of all Ranks—stating that "no authority was given to any persons to retain one half-penny per copy sold, of music bearing the words, 'On behalf of Earl Haig's (British Legion) Appeal.'"

We gladly give publicity to this denial and shall deal fully with the matter in our next issue.

OUR PRIZE COMPETITION QUESTIONS.

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