

I am thankful we are not to lose it altogether. We nurses owe a great debt of thanks to Editor and assistant editor and other ladies connected with the journal for the splendid lead and stand they have always taken for our professional uplift. I offer my sincerest thanks to all."

Henrietta Ballard, S.R.N.—"I cannot tell you how I shall miss the *B.J.N.* weekly. I have never missed a week's issue since I started taking it twelve years ago. I think it the ideal paper. It will be a great loss to hundreds of my colleagues, but we must make the most of our monthly publication. With best wishes for future success and many thanks for past help and pleasure in its pages."

S. F. Rossiter, S.R.N.—"I read the announcement, *re JOURNAL* with feelings deeper than the word regret can express; the nursing world can ill afford to lose the inspiring influence which radiates from its pages. To those who could only stand and watch it has been a link with the magnificent fighting forces of the profession. Politically, it has been an education to thousands of nurses who otherwise would have swelled the vast ranks of professional toilers, apathetic through ignorance. Its constant efforts to maintain and encourage international conferences on nursing questions cannot be too highly valued. We simply cannot do without it. We are acutely conscious of its necessity."

Emmie Wates, S.R.N.—"I had a great shock when my *B.J.N.* arrived last week. It took me an hour to realise what it means—that my week-end treat will in future only be a monthly one. I have taken and read the *Journal* from cover to cover the whole time it has been under present management and I believe before. When in active work it always inspired me, and was my greatest incentive to aim at the best in the Profession. Now it is the link of friendship—indeed, it is a very dear old friend, and valued as such. I am only one of a crowd who love the *Journal*. But I do see that the brilliant Editor and her devoted and gifted assistant must have more rest. May you both long carry on the monthly issue, and guide present nurses in right ways. It has been so long a great and unselfish work, perhaps we have taken it too much as a matter of course; but many of us have never failed to appreciate and admire our dauntless, watchful leaders."

Georgina Lord, S.R.N.—"We cannot do without the *Journal*. I think it is perfectly splendid of you both to go on working for our poor profession."

Amy T. Davies.—"Considering what a down-trodden class we are, I am not ashamed to own I had a good cry when I learned we were to lose the weekly stimulus of our courageous *Journal*. It put new life into me every Friday."

A. Stewart Bryson, S.R.N.—"I am more grieved than I can say to hear that *THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING* is not to be issued weekly any longer, but hope the demand for this unique journal will be such that we may at any rate have it monthly.

It is the *only* source from which we can get really true professional guidance."

Katherine Baugham.—"May I try and express my very great thanks to you for all you have done for the uplift of nursing during many devoted years. . . . I have always been guided by your principles, and have stuck out for them upon every opportunity. The Nursing Profession owes you a debt which can never be repaid. We owe you for years of disinterested service in the cause of humanity. You have won for us a great battle against almost overwhelming odds. It is for the rank and file now to continue the policy."

Katherine J. Fancourt.—"It is indeed a great record to have been the Editor of *THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING* for over thirty years, and the immense amount of pleasure and advice you have thus been able to give to all its readers is inestimable."

Agnes E. Rider, S.R.N.—"May I take this opportunity to say how very much I appreciate all the *Journal* has done for nurses and nursing? I have read it from my probation days (28 years ago) and shall miss its weekly arrival. I was one of the early State Registered Nurses, so am fortunate enough to have the Editor's (Mrs. Bedford Fenwick) signature on my Certificate. Best wishes for monthly issue, to which all success as in the past."

Marion V. Lee.—"The loss of the weekly issue of the *B.J.N.* has yet to be realised. So that it may soon be our weekly guide again, may I make the practical suggestion that every nurse who knows its value shall obtain one or more subscribers of 7s. for the new monthly issue? It is useless to appreciate the work accomplished for us through the *Journal*, and not take a little trouble to spread the light and retain the power of a professional voice in the Press. Unless we are to sink lower and lower, we *must* have our own weekly organ."

M. Winmill, S.R.N.—"Of course I shall take the *B.J.N.* as long as I live; am only sorry that it has to be monthly instead of weekly. I look forward each week to seeing my copy, and have done so ever since the *Journal* was first published. We nurses owe much to you and Miss Breay for your arduous labour on our behalf."

Hannah Brewerton.—"I am sure you must be tired of opening letters of thanks; still, I feel that I must send a line to you and Miss Breay for the grand fight you have made for the good of our profession through the *B.J.N.* *With very many thanks.*"

OUR PRIZE COMPETITION QUESTIONS.

December 22nd.—Describe methods which you have been taught to practise for the care and prevention of tuberculosis.

December 29th.—Enumerate some of the excuses advanced for premature weaning of infants. How would you meet them? What method of weaning would you advise a mother to adopt at the normal time?

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