

a leading article on another subject (General BOOTH'S scheme), in dealing with the assumption that the falling-off in Hospital (and other) charities in 1891 was due to Salvationist competition. It struck us and other people that one contributory cause, at least, might be those Hospital 'scandals' which are noticed as a feature of the year, we observe, in Mr. BURDETT'S own *Hospital Annual*. That is what the original remark was; but what it will be before Mr. BURDETT has done with the '*ipsissima verba*' we should be sorry to have to guess. We cannot control Mr. BURDETT'S proceedings in his own journal, but we can, and we do, decline to argue with him in ours."

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THE first annual meeting of the Nurses' Co-operation will be held at the rooms of the Medical Chirurgical Society, 20, Hanover Square, on January 19th, at four p.m. Dr. BROADBENT will take the chair. I am heartily glad to hear that this scheme has succeeded so well, and hope before many years have passed that the co-operative system will be the chief plan upon which Private Nurses will work. The standard

of training and knowledge of our Private Nurses must be thorough, and then they must set their faces, like a flint, against permitting their knowledge and labour to be made a marketable commodity. Self-respect is the first step towards public esteem.

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AT St. Mary Abbott's Infirmary, Kensington, on Christmas Day, the Matron, Miss HUGHES, and the Assistant Matron, Miss GRIFFITHS (who has been appointed to the charge of the temporary establishment at Plaistow), were the gratified recipients of two handsome testimonials subscribed to by the Nurses of the Infirmary, who assembled in full strength in the principal mess-room to show the great and kindly esteem in which their two superiors are held. The gift to the Matron, presented by Staff-Nurse POULTER, consisted of an exceedingly handsome set of silver knives and forks; and that to the Assistant Matron, presented by Staff-Nurse SIMMONS, of a set of silver spoons, sugar-tongs, &c. Both presents were suitably acknowledged, and being entirely unexpected, were all the more appreciated. On the Monday and Tuesday, Christmas-trees, profusely bedecked with appropriate gifts, were provided by the kind generosity of Miss WELLS, of Midhurst. S. G.

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