

Mosquito in the South Kensington Museum, the scientific proof, of unscientific practice.

For this brilliant discovery we are indebted to the work of Sir Patrick Manson, Sir Ronald Ross, the latter with scant appreciation and support from his superiors, but always encouraged and stimulated by Sir Patrick Manson, devoting his life, his health, his brains, his income, till he reduced himself almost to penury. But he still toiled on and won the reward for which he sought, though like most original thinkers received little understanding during his lifetime of the wonderful gift which he bestowed on mankind, and a still less adequate pecuniary reward.

I am, dear Madam,

Yours faithfully,

"A SUFFERER FROM MALARIA."

THE LONDON SCHOOL OF DIETETICS.

DEAR EDITOR,—Many Sister Tutors and others interested in Dietetics have been enjoying recently some lectures on the subject given by Dr. Neil Leitch, M.D., M.R.C.P.(Lond.) D.P.H., D.T.M. and H. Eng., which have been delivered at the new London School of Dietetics, Witney Court Clinic, Woburn Place, W.C., of which he is President, on Wednesday afternoons at 3.30 p.m.

These lectures have been illustrated by lantern slides or cinematograph films, dealing with the topic in question at the lecture, also very instructive demonstrations of food have been shewn, making the lecture course a very complete one.

It is a credit to those who have worked on this subject at this clinic to learn that they have already secured a "Chair of Dietetics" for England; this has been felt a great need for a long time, and so far other countries have been to the fore, in spite of definite increase in diseases in this country needing Dietetic treatment.

We hope to see a good response to this new scheme, and trust that Dietetics will now be scientifically taught in this country and especially in hospitals.

Arrangements are being made for evening classes for those who cannot attend the full course.

I am sure Sister Tutors will welcome this School and do their best to support it.

H. G. BALLARD,
Hon. Secretary, Tutorial Group.

GRENFELL ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM.—We wish to thank you very much indeed for inserting such a good notice of our 1933 Grenfell Labrador Calendar in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING for September. We are most grateful to you for this help and we are sure that it will greatly increase our sales.

Yours sincerely,

K. SPALDING, Hon. Secretary.
THE WAR OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.1.

NURSING IN THE SUDAN.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM.—In the article "Nursing in the Sudan," by Hills Young, published in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, September issue, the following passages occur. "The first British Nurse came out to the Sudan 24 years ago." And further on "She had been one of the earliest and at times the only British woman resident."

May I point out that in November, 1902 (nearly thirty years ago) two members of the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service went to the Sudan (Khartoum)

for duty at the British Military Hospital, and since that date two British Military Sisters have been continuously stationed there. A few years ago the number was increased to three Nursing Sisters.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

M. E. MEDFORTH, *Matron-in-Chief Q.A.I.M.N.S.*

[We beg to thank Miss Medforth for information re Nursing in the Sudan. We quoted the article, as stated from *The International Nursing Review*.—EDITOR.]

KERNELS FROM CORRESPONDENCE.

Vox Populi.

A Delegate N.C.N. writes: "I know you will not mind me expressing the opinion of several nurse friends who are not matrons. We are all hoping that the national character of our Council will be recognised when electing the four Delegates to represent us at Paris next year. We think as it is a Council of *Nurses* at least one of the rank and file should form part of the delegation. Not that we do not appreciate all the matrons are doing for us, but because so many of the affiliated societies and Leagues which form our Council include all classes of registered nurses, Matrons, Sisters, Tutors, Staffs, Private nurses, Public Health Workers, but as they are so greatly in the majority they of course contribute most of the funds in support of the National and International Councils. I for one hope that an effort will be made in Paris to decrease the cost of the activities at Headquarters at Geneva, the expenditure is becoming a very serious burden on the organisations of nurses in this country and the United States of America. Is it necessary to issue an international nursing journal every two months when we are kept so well informed through our national nursing literature? In these hard times economy should be the order of the day, especially as our National Council is working on a pittance."

[The Editor sympathises with the opinions expressed in this "Kernel." As resolutions from Great Britain and U.S.A. have already been sent to Geneva to be placed on the Agenda of the Grand Council I.C.N. at its next meeting dealing with the cost of organisation, no doubt a useful discussion, and, let us hope, results, will be attained.—ED.]

The Six Points.

A Lifelong Registrationist writes: "I read with unqualified approval the Six Points in the Editorial last month referring to the Quinquennial Election of our G.N.C. You ask 'What are the Registered Nurses doing about it?' As far as I can learn, Nothing. The present generation of Nurses are far too apathetic to take a conscientious interest in their professional affairs. All has been won for them without their lifting a finger or paying a penny to secure legal status, and as for 'The One Portal to the Register' the majority *do not know what it means!*"

Every one of the Six Points is of the utmost importance to the well-being of the Nursing Profession.

May I suggest that the B.C.N. calls a Meeting of explanation, and has each Point put plainly before the audience. This should be done as soon as possible. A good speaker for each Point would make the meeting of real interest."

[We welcome this suggestion and will pass it on.—ED.]

NOTICES.

We regret that no Prize Competition Papers of sufficient merit were sent in for this month.

PRIZE COMPETITION FOR NOVEMBER.

Describe the symptoms of Para-typhoid and the nursing treatment.

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