

WHAT TO READ.

MEMOIRS AND BIOGRAPHY.

- "A History of the Popes," Joseph McCabe.
- "Edmund Kean," Giles Playfair,
- "The Diary of Dudley Ryder, 1715-1716," edited by William Matthews.
- "I Swear by Apollo," William E. Aughinbaugh.
- "Rare and Lovely," the Autobiography of Edna Ferber.
- "Louisa May Alcott," Katherine Anthony.

FICTION.

- "The Fathers," Allen Tate.
- "Next to Valour," John Jennings
- "The Open Sky," L. A. G. Strong.
- "Land of the Leal," James Barke.
- "Recapture the Spring," Renée Spann.
- "Reaching for the Stars," Nora Walln.
- "Murder is Easy," Agatha Christie.

ADVENTURE AND TRAVEL.

- "Eastern Visas," Audrey Harris.
- "A Winter with Finnish Lapps," Norah Gourley Nies.
- "The End of Economic Man," Peter F. Drucker.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- "Keep off Death!" The Chronicle of Elizabeth Echlin.

COMING EVENTS.

June 17th.—The British College of Nurses. Council Meeting, 19, Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7. 2.30 p.m.

June 20th.—Alexandra Rose Day.

June 20th.—St. Thomas's Hospital, London, S.E.1. The Treasurer of the Hospital, the Dean of the Medical School, and the Matron and Superintendent of the Nightingale Training School At Home. Tea and Music on the Terrace. 4-6.30 p.m.

June 22nd.—Welcome home to the King and Queen.

June 23rd.—The General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Monthly Meeting, 23, Portland Place, London, W.1. 2.30 p.m.

JULY.

July 1st.—The League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses. General Meeting. Lecture Room, Nurses' Home, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.1. 3 p.m. Tea in Great Hall.

July 4th.—The British College of Nurses Annual Meeting, 19, Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7. 3 p.m. Fellows and Members are cordially invited to the Meeting, also to the Reception and Tea. 4.30 p.m. The History Section on view.

July 5th-7th.—The International Council of Nurses. Meeting of the Board of Directors. 51, Palace Street, London, S.W.1.

July 11th and 12th.—The Florence Nightingale International Foundation. Meeting of Grand Council. London.

WORD FOR THE MONTH.

"What is Threatened is Moral Liberty."

Dean Inge has recently reminded us that "Materialism is the auxiliary doctrine of every tyranny. To crush the spiritual human man by specialising him; to create not human beings but wheels for the great social machine; to enslave the soul of things, to de-personalise man is the dominant tendency of our epoch, what is threatened is moral liberty, the very nobility of man."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

*Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not in ANY WAY hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.*

A REVIEW TO REJOICE THE HEART.

PAUL END, PENN, BUCKS.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—I have had great pleasure to-day of receiving a copy of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, through Messrs. Faber and Faber. It may be most irregular to write and express my thanks for the review of the Life of my mother, but I *must* do so. It is a review to rejoice anyone, so full of sympathy and altogether so admirable. It is far the most important criticism of the book; except, perhaps, that in the *Times Literary Supplement*. And yet, many good ones have appeared.

I appreciate your generosity greatly.

Believe me,

Yours faithfully,

L. GARRETT ANDERSON.

[Miss Isabel Macdonald, S.R.N., R.B.N.A., was the sympathetic reviewer.—ED.]

A GREAT LOSS TO THE NURSING PROFESSION.

THE GENERAL HOSPITAL,  
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

DEAR MADAM,—On behalf of the Graduate Staff and Student body of the St. John's General Hospital Training School for Nurses (Newfoundland), I wish to acknowledge your thoughtfulness in sending a copy of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING for March, 1939, containing the obituary of our late Nursing Superintendent, Myra L. Taylor, R.N.

It was a very kind gesture on your part and we appreciate it very much.

Miss Taylor's passing came as quite a shock to us, as we had hoped after the medical attention received in Boston, U.S.A., to see her restored to health, and have a few years of comfort and freedom from strenuous activity which she had never permitted herself during her years of Public Service.

The extension to the Nurses' Home, in which she was so keenly interested, and the proposed new hospital block she has not lived to see completed, but we trust her successor will prove worthy of the task and carry on this Training School to further success.

Miss Taylor's funeral service was held at the C. of E. Cathedral, and was largely attended by Staff and Students in uniform, and by former graduates of the School, as well as by representatives of other Hospitals in the City.

May I wish THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING every success in the future, and again thanking you for your kindness.—I am, very sincerely yours,

MONA I. SMITH, R.N.

(*Instructress of Nurses*).

THE ANIMAL DEFENCE AND ANTI-VIVISECTION SOCIETY.

15, ST. JAMES' PLACE, S.W.1.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

MADAM,—One of the objects of the Poultry Industry Bill recently introduced in the House of Commons, is to check the heavy loss suffered by producers through poultry disease. The value of the annual output of the poultry

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