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## Letters to the Editor. (Notes, Queries, &c.)

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.

## THE ROYAL NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION.

### To the Editor of " The Nursing Record."

DEAR SIR,-Under the system of construction adopted at the Ventnor Hospital, a separate bedroom is assigned to every patient. By mechanical means a complete and frequent change of air is secured in every sitting room and bedroom occupied by patients. Bearing in mind the recent inquiries into the cause of consumption among other diseases, the great importance of these precautions must be evident. Dr. Hassall strongly urged the advantages of this system, and in fact founded this Hospital, twenty-four years ago, to secure its adoption. The experience thus gained has fully confirmed the belief that pure and fresh air with wholesome food are among the most important matters in the treatment of this terrible complaint. Consumption probably causes more deaths in England than any other single disease.

It becomes daily more difficult to obtain the necessary pecuniary support to secure the maintenance in unimpaired efficiency of Hospitals. Amidst all the claims upon public benevolence none can appeal more strongly than does the Ventnor Hospital to all blessed with good health and the means wherewith to help others not so blessed.

In the hope that many of your readers may be persuaded to become Annual Subscribers, or otherwise to contribute to our funds, I remain, dear Sir, yours very faithfully,

ROSEBERY, President.

## Replies to Correspondents.

Miss G. Bonney.-We are sorry to hear of your disap-pointment; if you are wise you will enter a good Nursing school and gain a Certificate; it is hard to begin all over again, but you are young and time soon passes.

Discontent.-We regret to say that we have heard your complaint before, and can only advise you to write to the Hon. Sec. at his private address.

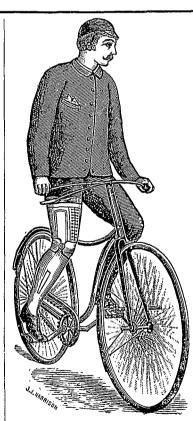
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