

## CORRESPONDENCE.

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

DEAR SIR,—Glad to see *Nursing Record*. Have bought several copies and sent to nurses whom I know, as well as to other persons. Success to *Nursing Record's* work—noblest of all work.—Yours truly, N.

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

Will the Editor of the *Nursing Record* kindly inform "Lema" if there are any hospitals in London where girls are admitted to train for the nursing profession in their nineteenth year? "Lema" would be much indebted for the names of any, as she has a sister who is very anxious to find an opening.  
[We will make enquiries privately.—Ed.]

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

SIR,—The *Nursing Record* has just reached me. I much, indeed, congratulate you on the great improvement of the paper, both as to quality and quantity. As it stands now it cannot fail to succeed.

Yours truly, G. E.

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

SIR,—My attention has been directed to an article in your paper, headed "Heroism in the Infirmary," and I would feel obliged by your rectifying one or two errors. The name of the surgeon is William Connor Lysaght, and the date of his birth is May 8th, 1861; his death, July 24th, 1887.—Yours faithfully,

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27, Thomas Street, Limerick,  
12th April, 1888.

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

SIR,—I have read with interest the report of the Sectional Committee on Registration of Trained Nurses to the Council of the Hospitals' Association, and find the following paragraphs with regard to Question 1—"Do you consider a general system of registration desirable for qualified nurses?" That "rather less than one-half of the replies are in the affirmative, while the bare majority (comprising, however, the leading and best known training schools) desire to be let alone." "There is every reason to believe that the following training schools concur in these opinions: The Nightingale Fund Committee (associated with St. Thomas's Hospital and other institutions), the London Hospital, Guy's Hospital, St. George's Hospital, Westminster Hospital, King's College Hospital, together with the Royal Infirmarys of Manchester, Liverpool, Glasgow, and Edinburgh." Now, sir, I should much like to know who are responsible for the answers received from the above-named hospitals, for I am informed that the sisters and trained nurses at some of these institutions, to whom the question is of vital importance, were not consulted in any way concerning the matter. The nursing staffs who have been individually made

acquainted with the subject, viz., at St. Bartholomew's, the Middlesex, University College, the Royal Free, Cambridge, Lincoln, Leicester, and eighty other hospitals in London, the provinces, Scotland, and Ireland, are unanimous in desiring the benefits of legal registration. I venture to consider, moreover, that it is not a question of ten hospitals being "let alone," but what is for the ultimate benefit of the nursing profession and of the public, which has to be determined; and, furthermore, that a great national matter cannot be settled offhand by a small "Sectional Committee." I enclose my card.—Yours faithfully,  
April 16th, 1888. MATRONA.

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

SIR,—I note that, in the paper issued by the promoters of the "Pension Fund for Nurses," money subscribed to the pensions under Table I. is not returnable. Does this mean that a nurse who has subscribed for a number of years, and from any reason is unable to continue her subscription, must lose all her savings? Should this be so, it must be explained most clearly to the nurses before they join, as this offers less advantageous terms to a subscriber than any good insurance company, for "surrender" of policy is always allowed, and the paid-up capital is returned with interest.—Yours faithfully,

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Queen's Square, Bloomsbury, W.C. Night Sister.  
April 16th, 1888.

## VACANT APPOINTMENTS.

ASSISTANT NURSE.—BLACKBURN AND EAST LANCASHIRE INFIRMARY.—Apply to the Matron.

NURSE.—JERSEY INSTITUTION.—Salary £25.—Apply to the Lady Superintendent, St. Helier's, Jersey.

HEAD NURSE.—SALOP INFIRMARY, SHREWSBURY.—Salary £25.—Apply to the Matron.

WARD SISTER.—QUEEN'S HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM.—Apply to the Lady Superintendent.

ASSISTANT NURSE.—ROYAL SURREY COUNTY HOSPITAL, GUILDFORD.—Salary £12.—Apply to the Matron.

DISTRICT NURSE.—Apply to Mrs. Henry Deare, 49, Upper Berkeley Street, Portman Square.

PROBATIONER.—Apply to the Matron, HORTON INFIRMARY, BANBURY.

DISTRICT NURSE.—Apply to the Treasurer, SICK-NURSING SOCIETY, PERTH.

CERTIFICATED MIDWIFE.—Apply to Dr. Churchouse, Long Buckley, Rugby.

MATRON.—NATIONAL ORTHOPÆDIC HOSPITAL.—Salary £50.—Apply to H. Canning, Secretary, 234, Great Portland Street.

SURGICAL NURSE.—HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.—Apply to G. Scudamore, Secretary, Lower Seymour Street, Portman Square, W.

ASSISTANT NURSE.—DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL.—Salary £16.—Apply to the Matron, Dorchester.

HEAD NURSE.—DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL.—Salary £25.—Apply to the Matron, Dorchester.

NIGHT NURSE.—Salary £25.—BRADFORD INFIRMARY.—Apply to the Secretary, The Infirmary, Bradford, Yorkshire.

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