her community. What do you think of the high schools having a woman physician or graduate nurse lecture once in two or three weeks through the term to the junior and senior girls on the structure of their bodies, prevention of venereal disease, and general hygiene?
V. A. B.

[A copy of the Hippocratic Oath with a history of its origin and use is to be found in the *JOURNAL* for January, 1909. The Nightingale Pledge reads as follows: "I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly, to pass my life in purity and to practise my profession faithfully. I will abstain from whatever is mischievous and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug. I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession, and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping, and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling. With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work, and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care."]

CLUB-HOUSES AND REGISTRIES FOR NURSES

DEAR EDITOR: The nurses interested in improving the conditions for graduate nurses are earnestly requested to furnish us with information on the subject. We would like to know on what lines the nurses would like to have model club-houses and homes constructed. We are also anxious to know what the nurses desire in regard to the organization of central registries.

It may not be possible to acknowledge all letters, but this does not indicate that they will not be gratefully received.

Very truly yours,

New York City Training School for Nurses,
Blackwell's Island, N. Y.

JANE M. PINDELL,
Chairman Central Registry Committee.

"HOW TO BECOME A TRAINED NURSE"

DEAR EDITOR: May I be permitted to call attention to the fact that the publisher of the book entitled "How to Become a Trained Nurse" is preparing to issue a revised edition, and is anxious to secure entirely up-to-date statistical information in regard to the various training schools for nurses in the United States and Canada?

I have been consulted in regard to subjects for papers, giving information of interest to women desiring to enter training schools, and should be pleased to receive suggestions from any nurse in regard to this matter.

I have found this book invaluable when necessary to obtain statistical information, and trust that every superintendent will interest herself in furnishing without delay the information requested by the publisher, who states in a recent letter to me that in July he sent out 1000 circulars and has received 360 replies.

The publisher, Mr. William Abbott, 141 East 25th Street, is known by many of the nurses in New York City. The very least that we can do is to furnish Mr. Abbott with the information desired. I have asked him to make a special effort to have this book placed in the libraries of women's colleges and girls' schools, and I have ordered a copy to be presented to my alma mater.

Trusting that this appeal will meet with a speedy result, I am

Very truly yours,

JANE M. PINDELL,
Superintendent New York City Training School.