LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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JOURNALS ON HAND

DEAR EDITOR: I have bound volumes of the JOURNAL for 1906, 1907 and 1908, all in good condition, and I should like to sell them.

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"INFANTS' NORMAL STOOLS"

DEAR EDITOR: I want the readers of the JOURNAL to know that the material for the article "Infants' Normal Stools as Affected by Diet" was obtained from experience during a post-graduate course on the Boston Floating Hospital, and not from my own training school, as might be inferred by the casual reader.

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NURSES ON PARADE

DEAR EDITOR: Throughout the week beginning September 15, Cleveland observed the Perry Centennial. Although thousands of people visited the Niagara and although the hero of Lake Erie was much in men's minds, the dominant note of the celebration was not commemoration of the victory over Great Britain, but joy over one hundred years of peace with that great nation and of earnest congratulation that, without armed forces or fortifications, we had lived on such pleasant and amicable terms with our neighbor just over the border.

It was very fitting that in celebrating one hundred years of peace and prosperity, the sixth city should have paraded all its various phases of civic growth and government. To many of us, the parade would have been strangely lacking had there been no representation of the Visiting Nurse Association. Its participation in every movement for the public good of Cleveland is well known. It has long been considered a model for others struggling to put young organizations on a sound basis. All along the line of march, the seven machines filled with nurses were greeted with cordial recognition and welcome. Read what Miss Swainhardt writes: "Public Health Nurses were recognized, it seemed, by all nationalities, from all stations of life, throughout the entire march. The men from the factories beamed, the school children, the expectant mothers, and in the more aristocratic portion they were applauded vigorously by their board members. It was surely a democratic thing to do and a reassuring thing. I believe that, as never before, the people for whom we care in home, factory or school, realized that we were really a part of their lives and existed to serve them."

The banners with their slogans made one very thoughtful. They stood for much earnest effort and hard work in the years that have gone. They reminded one of the wonderful opportunities which have come to nurses to render helpful service. To the nurse with ideals, the plain black letters on white ground stood