

in the pages of the *JOURNAL* for the great rank and file, but that there should be no restrictions in case of a death of one of the "shining lights in the profession." This we do not agree to, however, as we see no reason why the form should not be the same in one case as in the other, the only difference being in the number of lines occupied in chronicling the achievements of the woman of greater note.

Both marriage and death notices we consider very important items in every number of the *JOURNAL* published, but the increasing demand for space requires us to adopt a form which shall be uniform for all and the same in every *JOURNAL*. In the past we have published such notices in the form in which they were sent. Hereafter we shall change the form when necessary.

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#### CHANGES IN THE JOURNAL STAFF

WE take pleasure in announcing to our readers that Mrs. d'Arcy Stephens, of Orange, N. J., has consented to act as the collaborator for the *JOURNAL* in New Jersey. Mrs. Stephens graduated from the Orange Training-School in 1890. She has been twice elected secretary of the Orange Alumnae, was the delegate to the Berlin Congress, and is this year the president of the New Jersey State Association. Mrs. Stephens is one of the married members who continues to work for the progress of the nursing profession.

We regret to announce the resignation of Miss Frances M. Quaife, who has resigned her position as Superintendent of the Touro Infirmary and is leaving Louisiana for an indefinite time. Miss Quaife has done most excellent work for the *JOURNAL* during the short time she has been on the staff.

We announced some time ago the resignation of Miss Elizabeth R. Scovil as editor of the Department of Medical Notes. Fortunately for the *JOURNAL* Miss Scovil's plans were changed to some extent and she has been able to continue her work on the staff, her residence being now in St. John, N. B.

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#### THE DEVELOPMENT OF NURSING JOURNALS

IF there are any nurses in the East who are laboring under the impression that there is nothing doing on the Pacific Coast, we advise them to read the *Nurses' Journal of the Pacific Coast* for March. Each number of this quarterly gains in interest and literary excellence, and

we hope another year will see it published as a monthly, taking a recognized place in the journalistic world.

The *Johns Hopkins Alumnæ Magazine* is fast ceasing to be an alumnæ magazine and might well change its name and scope to that of the "Maryland Nurses' Journal," as it already represents more than the interests of one school.

The *Illinois Quarterly* is broadening its scope and the *Alumnæ Magazine* of the Illinois Training-School is keeping pace with the others. There is no line of development showing more marked progress than in the nursing magazines managed by nurses in this country.

The *Canadian Nurse* has developed much during the year. It is reported that it may be taken over by the Ontario Nurses' Association in the near future and the editorship placed in the hands of one of its own members. As the organ of the Alumnæ Association of the Toronto General Hospital it has done good work for Canada, but it lacks the editorial spirit that we find in the other nursing journals referred to.

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### THE SUPERINTENDENTS' MEETING

WE give in the official department an incomplete program of the Society of Superintendents of Training-Schools, to be held in the Academy of Medicine on Forty-third street, New York, on April 25, 26, and 27.

The secretary, Miss Nutting, is ill with diphtheria, and it is quite impossible for Miss Goodrich, the president, to complete the arrangements in time for a full announcement in this issue. The members may be sure, however, of a most interesting meeting and that every provision will be made for their comfort and entertainment.

To those who do not know the hotels that are recommended by the committee, it may be of interest to know that the Westminster, Sixteenth street and Irving Place, East, has been the meeting-place of the JOURNAL directors and the State Board of Nurse Examiners for some time. It is conveniently situated near the Fourth-Avenue car line that passes down that avenue from in front of the New York Central Station. It is plain and comfortable, and not too expensive for working women.

As we go to press we learn from Miss Goodrich that the question of Economy in Hospital Work and Administration will first be taken up by Dr. John Brannon, President of the Board of Bellevue Hospital, who is one of the leaders in reforms along these lines in New York. There will be a paper on Children's Hospitals by Miss Mariana Wheeler, Nurses'