

## THE TWELFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

THE twelfth annual convention of the American Society of Superintendents of Training-schools for Nurses, which was held in New York on April 25th, 26th and 27th, was a most profitable meeting in every way. There were but few of the older members of the society present, but the second and third generations came to the front nobly and presented a group of papers of great excellence which will be published in the July number of the JOURNAL with the more important of the discussions and a full report of the business proceedings to be submitted by the secretary.

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## THE ASSOCIATED ALUMNÆ MEETING IN DETROIT

THE arrangements for the meeting in Detroit are very complete and there promises to be a large attendance. Undoubtedly at this time some plans could be proposed for definite means of rendering assistance to the nurses in San Francisco. The JOURNAL stands ready to further in any way within its power any means the society may decide to adopt.

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## "HOSPITAL SKETCHES"

MISS DEWITT asks us to explain that the "Hospital Sketches" which she has been prevailed upon to publish in our pages are her notes made day by day during a period of her training 15 years ago in the Illinois Training-School. The only merit which she claims for them is in the fact that they are genuine. We are sure that these sketches bring home to many of our readers experiences long forgotten but equally absorbing and interesting at the time. Undoubtedly the number of nurses is greater in proportion to the patients to-day than it was 15 years ago, but the human nature of a large public hospital remains practically the same.

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## THE JOURNAL MAILING LIST

It can readily be understood that the JOURNAL's mailing list is exceedingly difficult to keep free from errors because of the constant changes of address among nurses. This condition we make great effort to meet and just at this time Miss M. E. P. Davis is in Philadelphia supervising the business details of our office, the mailing

list having her especial personal attention. Any unusual delay in receiving the magazine or failure to have been notified of the expiration of subscriptions should be reported to her at once at 227 South Sixth Street, Philadelphia. Notices of change of address should *not* be sent to the Editor-in-chief at Rochester on the same page with reports and items for publication in the magazine, as in this way the chances for mistakes are greater, but any complaints may be made to her and will receive prompt attention.

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#### AMENDMENTS TO THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY LAW

THE New York employment agency law has been amended by the legislature and was signed by the governor on April 27th, and registries of all incorporated associations of registered nurses, and bureaus conducted by registered medical institutions, are exempted. This amendment went into effect on May 1st.

