

that need matter, or in fact be
mentioned in Steerminator -

She is ready to come at once
on trial for 2 or 3 months, &
as the winter is coming on, it
would be well to try her -

If we can meet the difficulties
of hiring in a neighbour at $\frac{1}{2}$ a
day to cook meals & clean
the house, ^{of the husband of the woman confined} we are likely to keep
a nurse - but I should like
to know if you have any
objection to such a change
in the rules first

yours very truly

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Dear General Pitt Rivers

I believe that I have
at last been able to hear of a
suitable nurse for your
association - I have just been
to Bristol to see about one
with whom Mrs Marlen has
been in correspondence, I have
seen the superintendent of
"the White Ladies Association"
there - we shall have to give
one pound a week & rooms &
the latter Mrs Marlen has

secured - the great trouble all along has been to find one who in confinement cases, will do some housework for the mother laid up - I would suggest that when this is absolutely necessary, that we should pay another woman a shilling a day - that the necessity of this should rest in the decision of the ladies managing the nurse - such extra payments will not come often - but unless we do allow them, I fear we

shall never get a nurse to stay - I mention this, as I should like your sanction to it, before the committee meets -

The rule that the nurse should cook the husband's dinner, & wash & clean his children & care off all nurses worth anything -

The nurse I have heard of seems to be a sensible widow of 40 years of age, can undertake confinements without a doctor, holding full certificates - she is a Quaker, but Quakers are generally kindly people, & so long as she is a good nurse & does her duty, I don't think