

strict and absolute—which is the best preventative of putrefactive changes, and that the aim of modern science has now become, to procure *asepsis*, not with cumbrous efforts to bring about *antiseptis*, to prevent dirt diseases rather than to cure them.

In this great day of congratulation to the women of all nations—and in offering to the daughters of America the sisterly felicitations and good wishes of the daughters of old England—I would couple with those warm sentiments of regard the remembrance of the deeds of the great women of both countries who have gone before us, and who, having borne the heat and burden of the day, and gained for us, by painful self-denial, and admirable courage, the large measure of success and sweet liberty which we enjoy and celebrate to-day, deserve to be kept in tender and grateful remembrance by us all."

So much interest is being shown in the British Nursing Section, that I am told some of the exhibits have already been sold, the first item being the beautiful photo-gravure of Miss Agnes Jones, late of the Brownlow Hill Infirmary, Liverpool; this has been bought as a gift for the parlour of one of the large Eastern Nurse-Training School, I think that of Washington. Mrs. Bond, the lady in charge of this section, has her time well occupied, as she goes round and courteously explains everything to all visitors who appear interested in Nursing work.

Inventions, Preparations, &c.

CLOAKS, APRONS, AND CAPS.

Again Messrs. E. & R. Garrould out-rival their past reputation in the most fascinating selections of cloaks they have prepared for this season; and we can but envy those who have a right to appear in so attractive a uniform. It would be almost impossible to describe all, the variety is so great, but two, at twenty-one shillings each, surprised us for their exceptional value. These were the "St. Angelus" and the "Princess." The former is perfectly plain with double fronts; and the latter, with its cape fronts, leaves nothing to be desired in "finish" or "cut." The "St. Winifred," at 25s. 6d., has a prettily full-gathered back with half-yoke fronts, while the "Sister Grace" has the gathered yoke from which the peaceful foldshang, which forms the ever popular circular cloak. The materials used

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are principally army cloth, cravenette, or serge, and the colours comprise the usual shades. The bonnets, which give very little scope for display, are as neat, becoming, and moderately priced as usual; but their caps are perfection, and the simplicity with which the "furbelows and frills" are laid quite flat for washing and ironing (by means of a narrow tape) is almost marvellous; unhesitatingly, we commend to our readers' notice the "Belmont," "Constant," and "Sister Maud," which range in price from 1s. to 2s. 3d. each. Another cap, not yet christened, but which is here illustrated, is likely



to become, a favourite as it resembles that worn by Miss Kate Marsden in her now well-known portrait. A very ingenious idea has taken form in the "Dora" apron, which is reversible, it having a pocket on each side, and all being made of pure fine linen is cheap at 3s. 11d. The other aprons Sisters "Grace" and "Rena," are made in "pure" or "finished" linen, with low or high bibs respectively, and cost 2s. 6d. each. The minor, but not less important, details which so improve the uniform, such as cuffs, collars, veiling, &c., are kept in great variety at this establishment, which does credit to the taste displayed at 150 to 158, Edgware Road, W.

LIEBIG COMPANY'S EXTRACT OF BEEF. Fenchurch Street, E.C.

This well-known preparation, in spite of the large number of its competitors, still holds its own as the first in the lengthy list of dietetics and food stuffs. The earliest in the field, it has been followed by a large number of imitators, who from time to time, with almost colourable copies of title and labels, have tried to thrust themselves upon the public attention to be simply, after practical test and experience has been applied, relegated to the limbo of most things of the second class. We note, on again testing for perhaps the tenth time, that the Liebig Company's preparation shews its unvarying high quality, and that, if possible, the care displayed in its manufacture has increased, and that its excellence is such that medical men, nurses, and housewives have come to regard this brand of Extract of Beef as indispensable.

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