

Professional Reviews.**HOBLYN'S DICTIONARY OF MEDICAL TERMS.**

We have received from the publishers, Messrs. Whittaker & Co., 2, White Hart Street, Paternoster Square, a copy of the thirteenth edition of Hoblyn's Dictionary of Medical Terms and the Collateral Sciences, price 10s. 6s. Hoblyn's Dictionary needs no introduction to nurses, as it has long since proved itself indispensable to them, and there are few upon whose bookshelves it does not find a place. Those, however, who do not already possess the volume will be glad to know of the publication of a new issue in order that they may enquire for it when they purchase the book. The present edition is edited by Dr. John A. P. Price, B.A., late physician to the Royal Hospital for Children and Women, and dedicated to the memory of the author the late Richard D. Hoblyn, M.A. The changes made in the new issue are mostly those of addition, more especially in relation to bacteriology, the development of this science, within recent years, having no doubt led to the necessity for enlarging the work in this respect. We most cordially suggest to any nurse who does not at present possess this most useful book, to procure it as soon as possible. It will solve for her the meaning of many medical terms which she constantly hears in use, and by understanding which she can nurse her patients in a more intelligent manner than is otherwise possible.

GOLDEN RULES OF PSYCHIATRY.

The fifth little volume of "Golden Rules" deals with the question of Psychiatry. It is published, as are the others, by Messrs. John Wright and Co., of Bristol, at the price of 1s. It differs from its predecessors in having a buff cover, instead of the white binding with gold lettering with which we have now become familiar. The editor of this book is Dr. James Shaw, formerly Medical Superintendent and Co-Licencee, Haydock Lodge Asylum, Lancashire, Assistant Medical Officer, Grove Hall Asylum, Bow, and author of "Epitome of Mental Diseases." The book will be chiefly useful to medical practitioners and students, but nurses, more especially those who devote themselves to the care of patients suffering from mental diseases, may glean some useful knowledge from it.

"Remember that insanity, exclusive of idiocy, presents nothing else so striking as the change which has taken place in the patient's character and conduct.

"Remember that the conditions liable to be mistaken for insanity are: (1) Eccentricity; (2) Feigned insanity; (3) The delirium of fevers and inflammations; (4) Intoxication; (5) Cerebral-meningitis; and (6) Aphasia."

"Do not think that the patient will not kill himself because he shrinks from pain inflicted accidentally."

"When food is refused through ill temper or caprice the patient generally begins to eat again after an abstinence of two or three days."

"Never sanction the slightest bodily chastisement by *anyone* of a patient (certified or uncertified) under your care. Persons who cannot manage the patient by tact, kindness and firmness without severity are not fit to be mental nurses. Moreover, it is a misdemeanour to illtreat a certified lunatic."

Autumn Novelties.**MESSRS. DEBENHAM AND FREEBODY.**

AUTUMN has come upon us with a rush, and the wind whistles through the thin summer clothing which has done duty hitherto, and warns us that warm and cosy garments are an absolute necessity if we are to escape the prevalent colds. Nurses who desire to procure suitable uniform cloaks and other desirable garments, would do well to inspect those shown by Messrs. Debenham and Freebody, of Wigmore Street. They will find a room specially devoted to their requirements, provided with the nursing papers, which they can read at their leisure, and they may be assured that, so far as their personal wants are concerned, they will receive every attention, and that the goods supplied by Messrs. Debenham and Freebody are of the best quality, style and finish. Of cloaks, the "Princess," price 47s. 6d., and the "Seymour," price 45s., are both specially attractive shapes, and the "Alexandria" bonnet, price 10s. 6d., would complete an attractive costume. We may also mention that this firm supplies furniture, for nurses' bedrooms, of good workmanship and design. We saw, amongst other desirable things, an ash wardrobe with mirror, which would rejoice the heart of many nurses. The price is 84s. for a square wardrobe, or the prettier, corner shape is 89s.

MESSRS. GARROULD.

Nurses who are replenishing their wardrobes should also certainly pay a visit to Messrs. E. and R. Garrould, 150, Edgware Road, or if this is impossible, write to them for their illustrated catalogue and patterns. As usual, their cloaks are excellent, the "Cecil," in thick dark blue army cloth, price 37s. 6d., being a most desirable garment. It buttons down the front, has full loose sleeves, the yoke at the back is neatly stitched, and it is eminently a garment to possess. We also saw a waterproof cycling coat and skirt, the bottom of the skirt being lined with mackintosh, which should be a serviceable and useful garment. The "Harrisburg" all wool beiges, in various shades of gray, 2s. the yard, double width, would make a useful out-door dress. As we are assured the material washes perfectly, and, further, six yards will make a dress, 12s. would surely be well spent, on its purchase. Fascinating patterns of ginghams, linens and zephyrs, in soft shades, and at all prices, are to be had here, and the nurse who cannot, amongst them, find what she requires, must be difficult to suit. We noticed also a wide linen band for the arm, with a red cross, woven in red Cash's thread, and guaranteed to wash, which would be useful to nurses on active service.

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