Professional Review.

"THE CENTURY INVALID COOKERY BOOK."

We have received from Messrs. T. Fisher Unwin of 11, Paternoster Buildings, E.C., a copy of the Century Invalid Cookery Book, price 1s., being an English Edition of "Cookery for Invalids," by Mary A. Boland, edited by Mrs. Humphry ("Madge" of *Truth*). As it is only six months ago since we reviewed the last edition of this admirable volume, it may be assumed that the work has met with the appreciation which it assuredly deserves on this side of the Atlantic. Miss Boland's book was prepared for use in the training school for nurses at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and it would be difficult to find a more suitable text book for the purpose. As scientific cookery becomes more widely taught in the nurse training schools in this country, it will certainly be regarded as a classic, and it should be in the library of every private nurse. Its price is so low as to bring it within easy reach of all, and it might well find a place on domestic bookshelves. A chapter on the feeding of children may be studied with advantage by all mothers. The chapter on district nursing con-tains some Bills of Fare for the household of a working man. It is not suggested that the nurse shall under-take the cooking for the families of her patients herself, but it is thought that nurses who are so disposed may do much good, especially if it is the mother of the family who is ill, by suggesting a bill of fare, and teaching a boy or girl, who may be old enough, to prepare it. If time admits of this being done it must certainly be conducive to the comfort of a household dependent almost entirely on the work of the housemother for its order and comfort.

The remarks on the serving of food, an art not always sufficiently appreciated, are excellent. We should advise all our readers to lose no time in procuring this excellent manual if they have not already done so.

"WEEKLY DAY AND NIGHT SICK ROOM CHART."

We have received from Messrs. Jarrold and Sons, to and 11, Warwick Lane, London, a copy of the above chart, which we have much pleasure in commending to the notice of private nurses. Its price, however, which is 1s., would, we fear, prohibit its use in hospital or district work. It is ruled for a record of all the necessary details every half-hour, to last for a week. A temperature chart is attached, arranged for a three-hour temperature, night and day. A special feature is that the space for the night report is tinted, while that for the day report is on a white ground, so that the two may be distinguished at a glance. In cases of short and acute illness we have no doubt that this chart and report book might be very useful.

Women in Paris.

The "Blue and White Palace of Women," at the Paris Exhibition, has opened its doors. Madame Pégard, who is a Knight of the Legion of Honour, formally declared the Women's Palace open, and held a most artistic and delightful fête in celebration of the event. Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



THE opponents to Women's Suffrage in the House are highly delighted with the cut-throat policy of those members of the Women's Liberal Federation who meekly and illogically voted against making their own enfranchisement a test question with Parliamen-

tary candidates—as one remarked to us quite gleefully since this latest exhibition of futility, "Oh, yes; we men need not trouble ourselves on this question; we can always depend upon one woman giving another away."

This may be true with the women who advocate Party before Principle, but the discussion at the meeting proved that we have some true and loyal friends in the Federation—first and foremost, Lady Grove, who made a fine speech in favour of the test, and confessed to some amazement at finding there was opposition to the idea of making a candidate's support of women's franchise a *sine qua non*.

An excellent resume of the meeting appears in last and this week's *Weekly Sun*, and should be read by those interested in the subject :---

those interested in the subject :---In reply to the "expediency" speeches in opposition to the "Test" Mrs. Stanton Blatch said they could give to the liberal men (are there any?) no greater comfort than that the women of the party would stand true to the principles they held, and had the courage of their opinions. That was the lesson they ought to bring home to the men, and she would have her hearers remember that in sending out resolutions that suggested expediency and compromise they were doing nothing to stiffen the wobbling members of the party.

Mrs. Richmond (Burnley), speaking in support of the amendment, said, in times of Liberal prosperity they were told to be silent respecting the franchise for women, and in storms of adversity the ship must be lightened and overboard goes Jonah, the woman's vote, and it is quite time to let men see that they must find a convenient season to discuss this great question. Let them show that they really wanted the vote, and would not work for the men who would not try to get them the vote. Such a reform as this could not be got without a fight, and if there was to be a fight let them show that they were not afraid. Their position reminded her of a little girl who when she first went to school asked what she should do. "Oh," said the teacher, "sit on that high stool for the present," and the little girl complained afterwards that she waited for the present which never came. (Laughter.) Liberal women must get down from their high stool, and must reach out for their present if they really wanted it.

Mrs. Armfield (Croydon) put the whole question in a nutshell when she protested against the classing of woman's suffrage with other questions about which they were interested, for until they obtained the vote they were practically outside the political arena altogether. She admitted it was a debateable subject



