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# Mew Preparations, Inventions, etc.

### ICILMA.

We have much pleasure in drawing attention to the various Icilma Specialities, as both for themselves and for their patients many nurses will, we believe, be glad to have their attention directed to these preparations.

Icilma is an oxygenised natural mineral water, which neutralises the injurious effect of the lime salts and other organic matter contained in most ordinary water, and, if regularly used, completely prevents their ill effects, and gives new vigour to the skin, its action being antiseptic, astringent, cleansing, and softening. Icilma water costs 1s. the bottle. It is especially good for greasy skins, and should be used as a spray after washing, and allowed to dry on the skin. Transparent Icilma, at 1s. the pot, is a useful form of this preparation, where water cannot be conveniently applied. It contains 96 per cent. of Icilma, and may well take the place of cold creams. Icilma Tooth Paste, at is. 9d. per pot, is prepared with Icilma water. It prevents decay in the teeth, facilitates the removal of tartar, and strengthens the gums, while the lotion for the hair at 1s. and 3s. 6d. the bottle keeps the scalp in a healthy condition, and assists the growth of the hair. Icilma Soap may be had at various prices. The unscented costs 5d. a tablet, or 4s. 6d. a box containing a dozen. The Bouquet d'Afrique is 7d. a tablet, and all have a delightful softness and silkiness in use.

The Icilma preparations may be obtained at the London House, 142, Gray's Inn Road, W.C. A booklet, giving details of the above and other specialities, may be obtained, post free, on application to this address.

#### LITO.

The bread and bread flour supplied by the Hovis Bread Flour Co., Limited, Macclesfield and London, has been so much appreciated by the public that we feel sure they will thank us for directing attention to a new Self Raising Flour, prepared by the same firm, and known as Hovis "Lito." It is a pure, white flour, prepared from the choicest wheat, and is sold in boxes at 3d, 6d., and 1s. So many flours are mixed with inferior chemicals, and are, consequently, injurious, that it is a boon to know that a flour specially suited for cakes and pastry can be obtained from a firm which has so well established a reputation, as the Hovis Bread Flour Co., Macclesfield. There is nothing upon which a good housewife prides herself more than the lightness of her cakes and pastry, and this may be assured by using "Lito."

## Outside the Gates.

#### WOMEN.



A Reuter from Christiania says that both the Lagthing and Odelthing have now finally passed the bill introducing universal communal suffrage for men, and also for all women paying taxes on an annual minimum income of 300 kronen in rural districts or

400 kronen in towns, or owning property in common with their husbands who pay taxes on such income.

The New York Senate has passed, by a vote of 27 to 14, the Bill empowering women taxpayers in townships and villages to vote upon all tax propositions. The Bill has passed the Lower House in three successive legislatures by heavy majorities, but has hitherto failed in the Senate. New York is the third State to grant suffrage to taxpaying women. Montana was the first, Louisiana the second. The law in both these States is broader than in New York, as it applies to all taxpaying women in cities as well as in towns. This action of New York State extends to all the towns and villages of the State, a right which the women in halia-dozen cities of the third class had already possessed for years under special municipal charters, and which had been found to have no bad results. This action of the New York Legislature indicates a growing conviction that taxpaying women at least ought to have a vote on questions of taxation.

It has been decided to appoint a small committee to inquire into the desirability of erecting dwellings for women on the principle of the Rowton Houses.

Miss Margaret Townshend, Shrewsbury, suggests, that Mr. Carnegie might out of his great wealth build a women's hotel in London on any improved American plan, and in that way confer a great boon on lady workers in the Metropolis.

Stockton-on-Tees Corporation has accepted the offer of  $\pounds$ 5,000 made by Mr. Frank Brown, a local magistrate, for the provision of a school for the higher education of girls. This is the truest and best form of help men can give to women-educate us-and then let us sink or swim.

Lucretia Hillman, "the silent woman," as she is known in Jacobstown, N.J., has not spoken to a human being, says the *Morning Leader*, for years. She is now about fifty. She has always held to the idea that women who pay taxes should have the privilege of voting at the general elections. In 1886 she refused to pay her taxes, and it was not until she was threatened with gaol that she handed over the money. When she had delivered the cash and received a receipt for it she raised her right hand and swore that she would work from that day to bring about woman suffrage, and until the right of voting had been granted to women she would not speak a word to humankind. Frequent attempts have been made to get her to talk, but without avail. She owns and manages one of the best farms in her locality.



