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THE MONTAGUE ROSE CREAM SOAP.

The Montague Rose Cream Soap, which is the invention of a trained nurse, is delightful in use, while by reason of its emollient and antiseptic tonic and astringent qualities it is highly esteemed by travellers, and is specially useful in hot climates as it is found to be of much value in relieving the unpleasant effects produced upon the skin by prolonged exposure to wind and sun. It is delicately perfumed, and, as it is superfatted, it is free from the injurious alkalies so often found in the commoner classes of soaps. It must have been extensively used by the headquarters staff in South Africa, for the proprietors have received from the seat of war letters from Lord Roberts, General Baden-Powell, Lord Kitchener, and Sir Hector Macdonald, all testifying to its usefulness. The cost is 2s. 6d. per box of three tablets, and the London Depot is maintained by Messrs. Arthur and Co., 69, Berners Street, W.

HALL'S KEYSTONE BURGUNDY.

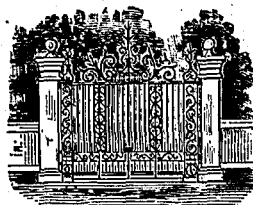
Hall's Keystone Burgundy is a ferruginous wine which at a very moderate price (18s. per dozen) is a pleasant table wine, being soft and mellow in quality, and free from the rough and acid flavour which so often mars the cheaper wines. The fact that it is slightly impregnated with iron makes it specially suitable for invalids who need this mineral medicinally. The presence of iron is due to the fact that Burgundy vines have been planted on a soil largely composed of iron limestone. Those who use Keystone Burgundy may be confident that they are drinking a pure and unmedicated wine, practically free from volatile acid. It may be used with advantage by delicate persons who find sweet wines, such as Port, which usually contain added alcohol, too heavy, while wines of low alcoholic strength are frequently unpalatable and acid as well as deficient in body.

Hall's Keystone Burgundy, as well as other wines, of which Keystone Beef Wine may specially be noted, may be obtained from Messrs. Stephen Smith and Co., Ltd., Proprietors of Hall's Wine, Malmesbury Road, Bow, or through the leading grocers.

The fine establishment of Messrs. Debenham and Freebody, in Wigmore Street, so well known to Nurses, opens an after-season sale, on the 15th inst. This sale is genuine, and we know from experience that real bargains are to be had. Coats and skirts and dainty shirts are specially good value this year.

Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



Miss Emily Hobhouse has received a letter from Mr. St. John Brodrick, Secretary of State for War, in answer to the recommendations which she had sent to the War Office, requesting that the women who had friends, or who had means to support them, should be

allowed to leave. This has been conceded, but with the saving clause, "Unless there may be a military objection."

Mr. Brodrick has also made the same announcement in the House of Commons.

The following recommendations are those which were forwarded by Miss Hobhouse to the War Office:—

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Having, by the kindness of Lord Milner, been enabled to visit various women's camps, and bring succour to the people therein detained, I venture to urge the following improvements:

1. In view of the hardening effect of imprisonment upon the hearts and resolution of the women—of the imperfect supply of tents or other shelter—of the scarcity of food—the difficulty of transport—and the appalling effect of camp life upon the life and health of the people; and in support also of recent statements made in the House of Commons, I urge:

That all who still can, should be at once allowed to go:

- (a) viz., those who, themselves penniless, yet have friends and relatives in Cape Colony;
- (b) Those who have means and could support themselves in the Cape Colony, or in towns on the line;
- (c) Those who have houses in towns to which they could go;
- (d) Those divided from their children who wish to find and rejoin them.

2. Free passes into towns for all equally wishing to find work there.

3. Equality of treatment, whether the men of the family are fighting, imprisoned, dead, or surrendered.

4. In view of the size of the camps, the sickness and mortality, a resident minister in every camp, or free access to anyone living close by.

5. That, considering the countless difficulties ahead, and the already overcrowded state of the camps, no further women or children be brought in.

6. That, considering the mass of the people are women, and seeing the success in organization of the Matron at Port Elizabeth, a matron, conversant with both languages, be appointed in every camp. Many would undertake this voluntarily. I do not consider this so necessary in the case of Norval's Pont.

7. That, considering the congested state of the line, and the great lack of fuel, any new camp formed should be in a healthy spot in Cape Colony, nearer supplies and charitable aid.

8. That, because all the above, and much more,

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