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MESSRS. CADBURY'S SPECIALTIES.

At Christmas time dainty sweets are in great demand, and shop windows are filled with toothsome morsels. It is, however, essential before all things that the goodies to which children look forward at this season should be pure, and this may be ensured by purchasing Messrs. Cadbury's bon-bons, which are not only attractive in appearance, but also delicious and wholesome. The worldwide fame of Messrs. Cadbury's delicacies, founded on their genuine excellence, are their best introduction to popular favour, but at this season it is well to draw attention to their claims, and we are convinced that no more acceptable gift of this nature could be found either for children or adults.

BEDSTEADS AT MESSRS. CHORLTON & CO.'S.

We have pleasure in directing attention to the convenient bedsteads for hospital and asylum purposes supplied by Messrs. Isaac Chorlton and Co., of 4B, Upper Thames Street, London, E.C., and 17, Blackfriars Street, Manchester. Our first illustration shows a patent riveted bedstead supplied by this



firm intended specially for epileptics. It will be seen that it is made on the principle of an infant's cot, and the sides are designed to swing down easily and smoothly.

The second illustration shows a bedstead with removable headpiece, so desirable in surgical wards when an anæsthetic may have to be administered in bed to any patient This bedstead can also have the footrail made removable if desired. It has a wire-woven mesh, and there is space between the frame and the wire mattress for the introduction of fracture boards when



desired. It is made with rubber-tyred castors at the head and wooden feet at the foot, thus ensuring both firmness when the bed is stationary and ease in moving if desired. The firm makes a specialty of

castors of all kinds, so that there should be no difficulty in suiting every taste. Messrs. Chorlton are contractors to the Admirulty, War Office, and India Office.

ASEPTIC FURNITURE AT MESSRS. DOWN BROS.'.

A glance round the show-room of Messrs. Down Bros., Ltd., 21, St. Thomas's Street, S.E., shows the state of perfection and attractiveness to which surgical instruments and aseptic hospital furniture have now attained. A case of instruments which a nurse uses in her daily work of the latest pattern would be a most desirable Christmas gift, and nowhere could a better selection be found than in the show-rooms of the above firm, which are situated just opposite Guy's Hospital. It is of interest to know that Messrs. Down obtained the Grand Prix at the Paris Exhibition in 1900 for the excellence of their surgical instruments and aseptic hospital furniture.

PIRLE.

We have often drawn attention to the advantage of Pirle finished goods, which will not spot, cockle, or shrink in the rain, but a word of warning is necessary, for, as is often the case when an excellent article is put on the market, there have lately been many cases of substitution, and, it is needless to say, such substitutes do not bear comparison with the genuine article. Pirle-finished goods may be obtained through all the leading drapers, but it is necessary to ask for, and to insist on having, the words THE "PIRLE" FINISH printed on the selvedge. In this record year of rain Pirle-finished gowns are specially desirable, and a dress length of this description would form a most welcome Christmas gift.

Christmas Gifts.

Of dainty trifles which would prove most acceptable gifts to nurses there are no end. At Messrs. Debenham and Freebody's, in Wigmore Street, the selection of delightful blouses, buckles, neckties, gloves, and pretty trifles which add so much to the charm of a toilette, are bewildering in their variety.

The most critical will surely find something to please them in the Christmas Bazaar of Messrs. Garrould, 150, Edgware Road, and the establishment of Messrs. Thomas Wallis and Co., Holborn Circus, is proving more popular than ever.

Among gifts for nurses, the dainty shoes and stockings which the London Shoe Co., 116, New Bond Street, supplies in such perfection would be welcome. Space fails us to detail the many attractive varieties, but it may be safely affirmed that those who once deal with this firm are not likely willingly to go elsewhere.

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