FIRST CLASS FIRMS AND WAR REQUISITES,

The war has caused an extraordinary demand on the great houses which supply medical and surgical appliances, surgical dressings, invalid dietary, nursing uniforms, and hospital equipment of all kinds, and it is testimony to the great business ability of these firms that they have risen to the occasion with extraordinary capacity, and that supplies pour out from their warehouses to meet the abnormal demand, so that there is no serious shortage, and the needs of sick and wounded are supplied on requisition.

HOSPITAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.

MESSRS. ALLEN & HANBURYS.

A name which is a household word for excellence is that of Messrs. Allen & Hanburys, 37, Lombard Street, E.C. The firm supplies not only hospital equipment, but surgical supplies and special invalid dietaries, the foods supplied as the Allenbury Diets are largely depended upon by nurses and midwives, and we must not forget at the present time that it is not only the sick and wounded who need our care but the refugees. Such beneficent agencies as the British Women's Hospital in Petrograd would benefit greatly by consignments of such bodybuilding supplies.

We may once more draw attention to Bynogen, a nutrient and nerve restorative recently put on the market by this firm, and stated by a medical man to be a valuable preparation and a great improvement on its German-owned predecessor.

It should further be noted that Messrs. Allen & Hanburys, Ltd., have successfully applied in the Patents Court for licence to manufacture Bromural in this country. Bromural is of the veronal type, but less toxic than veronal, and it was stated in support of the application that it was made at the urgent request of a large number of doctors in military hospitals. Bromural, which is a German patent, has not been importable since the outbreak of war, and no supplies are at present available. The firm intend to supply the drug under the name Dormigene as they think it undesirable to perpetuate the German name.

Messrs. E. & R. Garrould.

One has only to visit Messrs. E. & R. Garrould's Nurses' Salon in their establishment at 150, Edgware Road, W., to be assured of the popularity of this firm with nurses, for invariably nurses, in uniforms of various hospitals and institutions are to be seen purchasing goods. Whether a nurse needs uniform, standard nursing books, hospital supplies, furniture, linen, or travelling trunks, and much else besides, she will find them ready to hand. We may specially draw attention to an invalid chair supplied by the firm, which, though compact is comfortable and roomy, the polished wooden frame has a cane seat and back, the wheels have rubber tyres and selfpropelling rims and there is a sliding footboard. A more welcome gift for an invalid soldier, or indeed, for any invalid, it would be difficult to find. In it he can easily propel himself about a room or a garden, and have a degree of the independence which is so dear to every human being. The firm also supply a sterling silver wristlet watch with radium dial on which the figures can be plainly read in the dark, and with a second hand. The watch is guaranteed, and its very moderate cost is 355. 6d.

THE HOSPITALS & GENERAL CONTRACTS CO. LTD.

Situated within a stone's throw of Oxford Circus, at 19-35, Mortimer Street, the Hospitals & General Contracts Co. is ideally placed, and is well known not only throughout the metropolis but throughout the world. It is, moreover, its claim that anything which it does not stock it can procure for customers, so it is small wonder that it has a very large and increasing clientèle, and supplies numerous hospitals as well as individuals, and that customers who find that their purchases are reliable in quality and moderate in price return again and again.

The Nurses' Equipment Section, which is of comparatively recent date, has rapidly won its way into favour with nurses both at home and abroad. Every endeavour is made to meet their requirements, and its reputation is well established.

BODY BUILDERS.

If a body is to be well nourished it must be supplied with food which can be assimilated. More especially is this the case when its health has been impaired by disease, wounds or nerve shock. Then we turn for assistance to well-known firms who have made a study of the question of "What foods feed us ?" and their practical answer is to place before us preparations which are highly nutritious and easily assimilable.

VIROL.

Amongst these body builders is Virol, supplied by the firm of that name in Old Street, City Road, E.C. Virol, the basis of which is red bone marrow, malt extract, eggs and lemon juice, is now regularly supplied to more than 1,500 hospitals, sanatoria and clinics, a testimony to its utility which cannot be gainsaid. It is worth remembering in these days of high prices that the cost of Virol has not advanced.

BOVRIL.

Bovril, supplied by Bovril, Ltd., of Old Street, E.C., is a very favourite preparation with nurses, both for themselves and their patients. Those who have visited the headquarters of the firm use it with the more confidence, because they have seen the scrupulous care taken in its perparation, and know that the meat used is derived from cattle reared on some of the finest pasture lands in the world, those of the Argentine Republic.

ROBINSON'S "PATENT" BARLEY.

It is well known that barley water is a nutritious as well as a palatable drink, especially when pre-



