

Though never so foolish as to be a misogynist, I had been distinctly inclined to look upon the opposite sex as necessary evils. I do not say that I have any ardent desire to see lady members of Parliament, now; but there is no knowing what effect another fortnight's illness might have. I dare not start descanting upon the virtues of lady Nurses here, or even the most lenient of editors would be compelled to make free use of the "blue pencil"; but I will epitomise the expression of my faith in them, by sincerely writing that if a humble individual can ever serve Nurses, in any way, application has only to be made to—

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### Notes in News.

THE Salvation Army has just opened another of its most practical and well appointed night-shelters. On the 4th inst., General BOOTH spoke at the Meeting which proclaimed it open, and an ample opportunity was given for all to investigate the working of these shelters that are so well arranged for the "great unwashed." The building is divided into three, shall I say sleeping, sections, which vary in cost from threepence to one penny for the night, and those of the callers who have not even one penny, have here the opportunity for earning it, as a room is provided and work given to do equivalent to this then valuable coin. There is one hard and fast rule which all must necessarily appreciate, and that is, that all are compelled to wash before retiring, and while such ablutions are in progress, their clothes are hung in a crematorium, the heat in which destroys all germs, insects, &c., the clothes may contain. Nor are they sent hungry to bed, for a "food bar" is provided at which simple and nice food can be bought at an absolute minimum cost, and those who have not the money, are given a slice of bread which, with the wash and the rest for the penny, is all and more than human nature can expect for that sum.

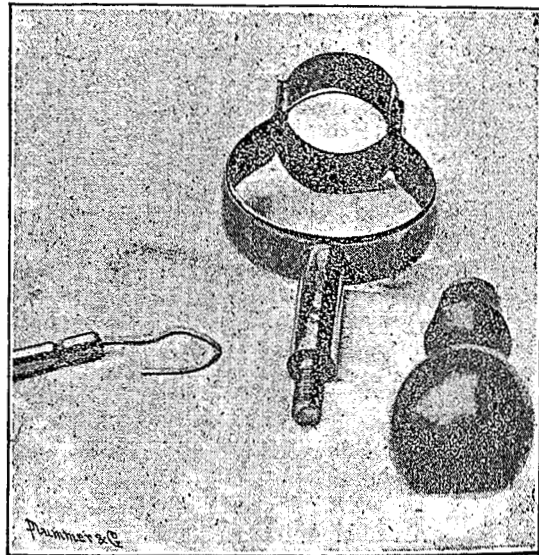
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At the Holborn Restaurant, on the 9th inst., there took place the dinner on behalf of the North-Eastern Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, N.E. The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor was in the chair, and pleaded eloquently for funds to enable the Committee to carry on and increase the valuable work that this Institution is rendering to the poor little sufferers that make application at its doors. The Hospital is situated in one of the poorest neighbourhoods of London, and therefore ought to appeal to all. And we know that every donation, however small, will be gladly received by the Secretary, Mr. A. NIXON, 27, Clement's Lane, E.C.

### Inventions, Preparations, &c.

#### A NEW SPONGE-HOLDING ELECTRODE.

We have had submitted to us, one of the "L.K." Sponge Holders, made by the Electro-Medical Apparatus Company, 36, St. Martin's Lane, W.C.,



and we are very happy to be able to confirm what is said about the many advantages it possesses. To those who frequently have occasion to employ the use of electricity in the treatment of patients, the



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