

Reflections

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.



THE PRINCESS OF WALES will open the bazaar and fête in the new wing of the West London Hospital, Hammersmith Road, on May 21st, at 3.30.

The Princess of Wales will preside at the annual meeting of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families' Association, which will be held on Wednesday, May 20th, not on Saturday next, as announced.

The Duke of Connaught, President of St. Thomas's Hospital, has promised to be present at a concert in aid of the fund for raising £100,000 to enable the Governors of the Hospital to open the wards that are now closed for want of funds, which will be given in Queen's Hall on May 2nd, by the Royal Amateur Orchestral Society. His Royal Highness will be accompanied by the Duchess of Connaught.

Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Albany has consented to open a fancy fair, to be held in Shortlands House grounds, Shortlands, Kent, in aid of the re-endowment fund for Guy's Hospital, on May 29th.

The Treasurer of Guy's Hospital has received a donation of 100 guineas towards the special re-endowment fund from the Liebig's Extract of Meat Company.

The Duke of Marlborough has accepted the presidency of the National Orthopædic Hospital, and will preside at the festival dinner at the Whitehall Rooms, Hôtel Métropole, on May 14th.

At the Annual Meeting of the Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, Regent's Park, the Earl of Carnwath, speaking from the chair, stated that the annual report showed an increase in the work and a diminution in the contributions. He estimated that since the Hospital was established, 29 years ago, there had been 246,500 "attendances" of out-patients. Referring to the future of the Hospital, his Lordship said that in four years the lease of the present building would expire, and a new building involving the creation of a building fund of some £10,000 or £15,000 would soon become a pressing necessity. He hoped that some munificent gift would soon be forthcoming towards this object.

Messrs. Allen and Hanburys have installed at 48, Wigmore Street, Cavendish Square, a complete apparatus for the demonstration of the new mode of photography.

The *British Medical Journal* thinks it not improbable that the Army Medical Department will use the new photography in war. It is hoped that even in the field hospitals connected with our African expeditions

it will be found possible to use the now greatly perfected apparatus for the more accurate diagnosis and treatment of wounds and injuries from the presence of foreign bodies and bullets in the body. Mr. Sydney Rowland has been discussing at Netley the arrangements by which the needful apparatus could be put into a highly portable form for field use.

At the meeting of the Laryngological Society last week, Dr. Waggett described in detail the method employed by Mr. Rowland and himself in photographing foreign bodies present in the larynx. With five minutes' exposure excellent sharply-defined shadows of coins and fish bones attached to the surface of the neck and hyoid bone were obtained.

In connection with the annual dinner of the French Hospital a sum of about £2,400 was subscribed.

Small-pox has broken out at High Wycombe, four cases being reported. It is alleged to have originated among the employes at a local paper mill, through rags supposed to have been received from Gloucester. The town has no Infectious Hospital, nor is the Notification of Disease Act in force. The Town Council are negotiating for the provision of a temporary Hospital on the outskirts of the town.

The second suspected case taken to Guildford Workhouse has proved to be small-pox, and the patient, who came from Epsom, has died.

The following generous donations have been promised towards the extension of the General Hospital, Nottingham:—

Mr. J. W. Leavers .....	£2,000
Mr. E. T. Hooley .....	£1,000
Mr. William Bradshaw .....	£1,000
Mr. Francis Lev .....	£250
Mr. Robert Halford .....	£100

The name of Mr. Justice Hawkins's dog "Jack" will be kept green in a singularly appropriate manner, by the opening of "The New Animals' Hospital and Institute," for which Professor Atkinson is responsible, it being of course a labour of love with him.

Professor Atkinson has explained to a *Daily Chronicle* interviewer why the Animals' Institute is being dedicated to the memory of "Jack, the Judge's dog." "Jack" was treated at the Animals' Institute once or twice, and Professor Atkinson describes him as one of the most intelligent dogs he ever knew. He was fond of a bit of fun, and thoroughly appreciated anybody who sympathised with him on such an occasion.

The Hospital will be free to all who need it. Those who can afford to pay can have their animals treated. There will be a resident veterinary surgeon and a visiting staff, which will also include doctors. The Hospital is to be anti-vivisectionist, and about £1,000 a year will be necessary for its maintenance.

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