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DIABETIC SUGAR-FREE MILK.

We have, on previous occasions, drawn attention to Paget's Modified Milk, prepared by Messrs. Clay, Paget and Co., Ltd., of 23, Ebury Street, Eaton Square, S.W., and Springwell Road, Hounslow, as an admirable and reliable substitute for mother's milk. The same firm has now brought out a Diabetic Sugar-free Milk, of which it has secured the patent rights. Attention is drawn to this in the book on "Food and the Principles of Dietetics," by Dr. Robert Hutchinson, recently published by Messrs. Edward Arnold, in the chapter on "Food and Diabetics," and the formula from which it is prepared is drawn up by Mr. Morris, of the London Hospital Whitechapel Road. The fact that such a milk can now be obtained should be noted by all nurses, as it must prove an immense boon to diabetic patients, to whom milk is at present a forbidden article of diet. Yet, further, it will be available for use in mixing cakes and biscuits, and must revolutionize the procedure of those firms who cater specially for the diabetic, and whose insuperable difficulty has hitherto been the necessary dryness of the breads and other articles of diet prepared specially for this class of patients. Messrs. Clay Paget have done real service to the sufferers from a tedious disease in putting upon the market their sugar-free milk, and we have no hesitation in predicting for it the success it assuredly merits.

SHIPPAM'S SPECIALITIES.

One of the most attractive stands at the recent Cookery Exhibition at Prince's was that of Messrs. Shippam, of Chichester. Their delicate chicken broth jelly and beef tea, contained in vacuum-sealed glass jars, were most appetising in appearance, and further investigation proves not only the high nutritive value of these invalid foods, but also that they are free from acidity, contain no chemical preservative, and possess a flavour of unusual delicacy and excellence, so that they are most inviting to invalids.

Other preparations of interest to the housewife are the high-class potted meats to be obtained from this firm, which may be had in twelve varieties, all of which are guaranteed pure, and which are just the thing for savoury sandwiches at afternoon teas. Shippam's Sausages, in airtight tins, are also known all over the world and are excellent in quality. All these specialities may be obtained through the leading grocers, or direct from Messrs. Shippam, Chichester.

Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



Once more the House of Lords have proved their intolerance of women being given their rightful position in relation to municipal government by throwing out the Earl of Aberdeen's London Borough Councils (Women's Disabilities Removal) Bill by a majority of

forty-two, forty-six voting for and eighty-eight against this just measure.

In moving the second reading of the Bill Lord Aberdeen said that its object was to enable women to be elected either as councillors or "aldermen" of the London Borough Councils. The measure, he observed, proceeded on safe and sober lines, and was in some respects a measure of restoration, as women were permitted to be members of the old vestries, of which the Borough Councils were largely the successors. He should be disappointed, but not very much perturbed, if the Bill were to be rejected, because he was convinced it would reappear, and in the course of time the reasonableness of the proposition would be recognised and carried into practice.

The Duke of Northumberland and Lord James of Hereford opposed, the latter being one of the most stalwart opposers to the great movement for the political equality of men and women. Earl Spencer, always generous, in giving his support to the Bill spoke of the admirable work which women had accomplished on local representative bodies.

We are glad to observe that the two archbishops and nine bishops voted for the second reading, and only one spiritual Lord, he of Chester, brought discredit on his cloth by supporting the reactionary majority.

The thanks of self-respecting women are due to the Earl of Aberdeen for all the trouble he has taken upon their behalf—we quite agree with him that such a measure, acknowledged by all reasonable people to be for the public benefit, cannot be long deferred.

The Women Writers' Club have introduced a new idea at their dinners. It is the fashion for everyone present to pin her name-card, daintily hung on a slender ribbon attached to a safety-pin, to her bodice, so that any one in the room can see her name. This is sufficient introduction for two women to make themselves known to each other.

Mrs. Charles McLaren's party for the members of the Women Writers' Club was very well done. The host and hostess were kindness itself. The music was exquisite, Mrs. Helen Trust and Miss Ada Crossley both sang delightfully, and the supper was sumptuous. The whole affair was very cheery, and as one facetious M.P. remarked, "Surely these are the women talkers, not the women writers." Indeed, it

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