

As to allowing the question of Army Medical Reform to slide once more, and discussing the cynical view that all but the glories of the march to Paardeburg will soon be forgotten, and that "the facts that called for a Hospitals' Commission, the vast cemeteries at Bloemfontein and throughout South Africa, the little wooden crosses on the veldt will be but vague memories," Mr. Freemantle says:—

"Time shall not be allowed to solve the question, for time will solve it only in one way, by patchwork and sliding into another war and another twenty thousand deaths. The nation cannot afford to wait for a new experiment in warfare before it makes the necessary change. Now, while the subject is fresh before us, now while our friends and comrades are still in peril of death, now while we are strung up to the effort required, let nothing prevent our taking earnestly in hand the urgent need of Army Medical Reform."

Preparations, Inventions, etc.

OSWEGO CORNFLOUR.

Of the many cornflours now on the market, none ranks higher than Kingsford's Oswego Prepared Corn, which, established in 1848, is the original of all the cornflours, and, notwithstanding the keen competition from the many admirable preparations now on the market, has maintained its position in the front rank. Cornflour is now indispensable in every household, and many are the dainty dishes which can be prepared with it. A cake made of Oswego cornflour is excellent, and is wholesome for and keenly appreciated by children. The ingredients are butter, castor sugar, eggs, Oswego Cornflour, and baking powder. For invalids it may be prepared in the same way as arrowroot, and delicate blanc-manges, and boiled puddings may also be prepared with it, and make a pleasant and welcome change in invalid dietary. We strongly recommend all housewives and hospitals to keep a supply of Oswego Cornflour on their store-room shelves. It will be found convenient, wholesome, delicious, and economical in use, while its purity and delicacy are unquestionable.

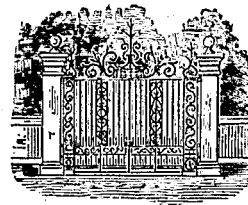
NEW TABLOIDS.

Messrs. Burroughs, Wellcome and Co. have produced new and valuable tabloids in the shape of the "Tabloid" Apomorphine Compound; the action of the apomorphine being aided by the stimulant and expectorant properties of ammonium chloride and by the demulcent qualities of extract of liquorice.

They have utilised also the fact that the unpleasant taste of ammonium chloride may be disguised by the addition of extract of liquorice, and therefore have produced Chloride and Liquorice Tabloids which present an extremely convenient means of administering a very useful but somewhat nauseous drug especially to children.

Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



A Conference, called by the Women's Local Government Society, will be held at the Westminster Palace Hotel on Wednesday, April 23rd, at 5 o'clock, to consider how best to arouse the country to the fact that the Education Bill threatens to deprive the community

of the full co-operation of women with men in the administration of education, and to destroy the existing right of women to be elected on the same terms as men to serve on local authorities for education.

Admission will be by ticket, for which application may be made to the Secretary, 17, Tothill Street, Westminster.

Mr. Balfour, replying to Mr. Rea, in the House, said "that women would be eligible under the Education Bill to serve as nominated members of education committees. The Government certainly contemplated women taking their full share in the work of education." We don't wish to be co-opted by nomination. How can women take their "full share" in the national education on such terms. It is nonsense—women claim the right to be *elected* on to all bodies dealing with education, and this can only be done by making it legal for them to sit on county councils and other bodies dealing with education. We are glad to see that the Women's Local Government Society is calling a meeting to protest against the present anomalous and unjust exclusion of women from educational work.

It is interesting to notice how the question of granting the suffrage to Belgian women may quite suddenly come into the sphere of practical politics. The clerical party at present in power are fighting tooth and nail against the determined agitation for the "one man one vote" principle. This would mean a triumph for Socialism, and be a serious menace to the existence of the Throne. But if the Socialists are able to enforce their program, and the clerical party are compelled to concede to the "one man one vote" demand, it is said the clerics will trump the revolutionary card by going a step further and introducing female suffrage. By this means they hope to secure clerical ascendancy for another half century. But would the enfranchised woman vote according to clerical direction? We doubt it. Women will not be well advised to trust those who give them their human rights—not as a matter of justice, but of political expediency.

Of all the representatives of women's interests to be met at the National Council, says the *American Journal of Nursing*, those who stood for suffrage were the most striking. In them was shown the best balance of qualities of heart and head. They were the strongest and the most simple, their intelligence more orderly and rational, their fundamental basis of justice

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