

quarts, whereas the ordinary bed pans hold only about one quart or less.

3. It can be used also as a douche pan, the large opening above the back end permitting the physician or nurse to easily reach the parts to which the douche or injection is to be applied. This advantage alone will recommend the "Perfection" to physicians and trained nurses.

4. It is the only bed pan that is really sanitary and can be quickly emptied and readily cleansed, having no sharp corners and no spout.

This shaped pan is made in two sizes and in agate enamelled ware, as well as porcelain.

The New Urinal for Women is also termed "Perfection," is anatomically correct in shape, and remains in position without being held, which prevents soiling of the bed linen.

Legal Matters.

NURSE OR COMPANION?

At Liverpool last week Vice-Chancellor Hall delivered judgment in the case of King v. Wilson, which we reported in our last issue. He was of opinion that Nurse Wilson—whose defence for breaking the agreement made not to nurse within 25 miles of Southport for a period not yet expired, was that she was acting as housekeeper or companion to her patient, not as a nurse—was evidently doing similar work to what she formerly did, and that Miss King had made out her case. He therefore gave judgment for the plaintiff, together with an injunction in the terms prayed, with costs. He proposed that the order should remain in the office for a week, and had no doubt that the plaintiff, if approached, on behalf of the patient, would consider any reasonable application for the defendant remaining in her employ.

A BOGUS SOUTH AFRICAN NURSE.

The Glasgow police are anxious to warn the public against a young woman of prepossessing appearance who has victimized several landladies in the vicinity during the past week. She states that she is the daughter of a minister in the North, that she was for many years Matron of the Victoria Infirmary, and that she has just returned from South Africa, where she was attached as a nurse to the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. She tells some thrilling tales of her adventures and hardships on the veldt, and finally makes the discovery that she has lost her purse and induces the unsuspecting landlady to lend her sufficient to take her home. By this method she has succeeded in raising quite a number of small loans which, needless to say, are not returned, as promised, by the first post in the morning.

Nursing Echoes.

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The necessary annual expenditure of the Scottish branch of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute is about £3,000, and, although continuous efforts have been made to increase the income, the sum realised is only about £2,400, leaving a deficit of £600 to be met annually out of a small amount of capital at the disposal of the council. It is in order to permanently wipe out this deficit, by the raising of a sum of £30,000, that the present appeal is made by the Duchess of Buccleuch. Should a larger sum be obtained through the generosity of contributors, it would enable the council to provide nurses for poor districts, where they are most urgently needed, but where the want of adequate money for their support makes it impossible to send them at present.

Miss Lowe, the hon. secretary of the Queen Victoria Nursing Institution, Wolverhampton, has received a letter to the effect that the Queen has great pleasure in giving her patronage to the institution.

On Tuesday last Dr. Lillias Hamilton, who, for some time was Physician to the Court of Afghanistan, gave an interesting lecture at the Portman Rooms, in aid of the Funds of the Girls' Friendly Society, of her experiences in this capacity. The lecture was illustrated by lime-light views. Dr. Hamilton said that the country of Afghanistan was described as one of stones and blood, but the valleys which were irrigated and cultivated were wonderfully fertile. The great difficulty was that of artificial irrigation, as the slopes are so steep that when the snows melt all the water flows out of the country. The country now under the control of the Ameer of Afghanistan is naturally protected by mountain fastnesses. The late Ameer was accustomed to describe himself as a goat in a cave, from which, if he attempted to emerge, he found himself confronted with a lion on one side, a wolf on another, and a bear on the third. In relation to his attitude towards England, he said, on one occasion, "If I say I am friends with England, because I like her, you will not believe me, but if I say I am friendly

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