

Reflections.

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.



The King has appointed Mr. Anthony Alfred Bowlby to be Surgeon to His Majesty, in room of the late Mr. Herbert W. Allingham.

A grand historical bazaar in aid of the funds of Westminster Hospital, under the immediate patronage of Her Majesty the Queen and other members of the Royal Family, will be held in the enclosure in Dean's Yard, Westminster, by the kind permission of the Dean and Chapter of Westminster, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, May 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 1905. The stalls will represent by costume the reigns of the kings and queens of England.

The Princess of Wales and Princess Alexandra of Teck have agreed to be patrons of a ball to be held on Monday, December 5th, at the Grafton Gallery, in aid of the funds of the Hospital for Women, Soho Square. Tickets can be obtained from Lady Samuels, President of the Ladies' Association, 20, Portland Place, or from any member of the Executive Committee.

Mr. Hugh C. Smith, Chairman of the Executive Committee of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, desires to remind the public that in order to claim the conditional offer of an anonymous donor, to anticipate his will, and place at the disposal of the Fund an amount which will produce an income of £4,600 per annum, it is necessary before the end of the present year to collect a further sum which would produce an income of £9,400. In making this generous offer, the anonymous friend of the Fund expresses the hope that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, as President of the Fund, may see his way to prevent any portion of the funds subscribed for the relief of the Sick Poor being diverted to purposes of medical education. So far, the authorities of the Fund have made no declaration on this point. We trust that the wishes of the donor may be respected. We need not say that any scheme which will benefit the hospitals of the metropolis has our most cordial support.

Adeline Duchess of Bedford last week opened a sale of needlework, useful and ornamental, as well as of all sorts of fancy articles, at St. Saviour's Hospital, Regent's Park, in aid of the general funds of this institution, which carries on a good work with little outside assistance, and is just now particularly in need of help. Its object is to provide poor gentlewomen, who are prepared to pay a little towards the expenses, with the advantages of a first-class hospital, combined with some of the comforts of home. During the last eleven years over 1,000 cases have been admitted.

Rooms, which have been generously given free for the use of the Ladies' Association connected with the Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women, Waterloo Bridge Road, S.E., are now opened at No. 16, Brook Street, W., and will form a valuable adjunct to the hospital.

Mr. E. Stewart Johnson has been appointed Secretary of the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, in succession to the late Mr. Adrian Hope.

A member of the Council of Management of the Royal Hospital for Diseases of the Chest, City Road, has generously promised a contribution of £2,000 towards the fund now being raised for the building of a nurses' home and sanitary tower in connection with the hospital on condition that the additional £3,000 which is necessary to meet the cost of the work is subscribed by June 30th next.

Miss Lizzie Penny, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., Edinburgh, has been appointed House Surgeon at the Children's Hospital, Nottingham. Miss Penny has held the position of House Surgeon at the Royal Free Hospital, London.

Dr. William Osler, Hon. D.Sc., F.R.S., Regius Professor of Medicine, has been elected to a studentship at Christ Church, Oxford.

The executors of the late Mr. Arthur Ocran Crooke (who bequeathed £20,000 to the hospitals of London and Surrey) have decided to apportion the sum of £2,000 to the Royal Surrey County Hospital at Guildford.

The Royal Surrey County Hospital, at Guildford, the Surrey Convalescent Home for Men, at Seaford, and the Surrey Victorian Convalescent Home for Women, at Bognor, have received a legacy of £220 each under the will of the late Mrs. John Cooke, of Guildford.

Built at a cost of £6,000, the only Jewish hospital in the Empire has been opened at Manchester.

The Mid-Surrey coroner and a jury last week condemned the folly of allowing children to ride on the handle-bars of bicycles. A youth of fifteen named Charles Woodyer was riding at Surbiton with his two-year-old nephew fastened to the front of the machine. The road was muddy, and when a farmer's cart approached he became unnerved, and endeavoured to pass on the wrong side. The bicycle slipped and both were thrown, the wheels of the cart passing over the child's head and inflicting fatal injuries. Another equally, if not more, senseless folly is one we have seen of a father and mother riding a tandem bicycle, and careering up Oxford Street with an infant tied on behind. If the baby had been dropped in the traffic and killed, would it have been criminal negligence? One wondered how soon these parents, whose responsibilities sat so lightly upon them, would have discovered their loss under the circumstances.

It was reported at the monthly meeting of the Cork Lunatic Asylum that during the month an outbreak of typhoid occurred and was still in progress. Sixty-eight patients, of whom two died, had been attacked, as well as fifteen of the attendants. The fever is not of a very virulent type. An analysis of the water supply and the milk has disclosed no bacteria, but the water from a well on a farm of one milk contractor was stated to be filthy. The Inspector of Lunatic Asylums has recommended the governor of the asylum to cease taking milk from this contractor.

Six ambulance wagons, the *Petit Journal* says, have been established in Paris to transport any horses, dogs, or cats that may be injured in the streets.

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