

Reflections.

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.



Mr. Henry Morris, the senior surgeon of the Middlesex Hospital, has given £1,000 to form the nucleus of a permanent endowment fund for the maintenance of the Medical School of the Middlesex Hospital. This is an example good to follow, and we hope the public will come forward and supplement his generous gift. Efficient medical and nursing education are ultimately for the good of the community, and they would be wise to richly endow their schools.

The Treasurer of Guy's Hospital acknowledges the receipt of an anonymous donation of £600 towards the Medical School Research Fund.

The Hospital Saturday Fund is a useful institution, which derives its income mainly, now that it has given up the street collections, from the regular weekly contributions in the workshops and places of business throughout London. Last year the sum distributed amongst 193 institutions was £22,199, and it is hoped that the amounts subscribed on Saturday last may exceed this sum. The Fund has now inaugurated a movement for the provision of sanatoria for workers suffering from tuberculosis upon principles of self-support; it also does valuable work in supplying surgical appliances at half the ordinary prices.

In an article in the *Practitioner*, an interesting description is given of the endeavours made to supply, through municipal channels, pure milk for infants. In Battersea the charge for a full supply of milk is from 3d. to 5d. a day. The milk is supplied in bottles, in a basket, each basket containing a supply of milk for twenty-four hours, and each bottle containing sufficient milk for one meal, and no more than one meal. Children under two months receive nine bottles a day. Older children receive fewer bottles, as they should be fed less frequently. Elaborate regulations are in force to ensure the purity of the milk, and this municipal enterprise will, our contemporary hopes, assist greatly in reducing the appalling high rate of infantile mortality.

The Northampton General Hospital, which was first opened on the present site on Oct. 12th, 1793, and has now been almost entirely rebuilt, has had a varied history. An interesting visit to this finely equipped institution was paid to it recently by sixty working men, representative of the Hospital Week Fund, when they were delighted with the magnificent buildings and their excellent arrangements for the medical treatment and the nursing care of the sick, the latter being under the able superintendence of the Matron, Miss Densham.

A tablet has been placed in the administrative block of the Allt-yr-yn Hospital at Newport, in memory of the late Alderman T. Jones, to whom the institution owed its inception. Archdeacon Bruce, a warm friend and admirer of the good man whose memory is thus perpetuated, unveiled the memorial on Wednesday last.

The Royal Commission on the Poor-Law.

The following resolution has been forwarded by the Workhouse Nursing Association to the Prime Minister and to the President of the Local Government Board:—

"In view of the increasing number of sick cases in Poor Law Institutions, this Association begs respectfully to draw attention to the extreme importance of the appointment on the Royal Commission of at least one woman, who possesses a wide, practical acquaintance with the working of the Poor Law in relation to sick and infirm inmates in both large and small Workhouses.

“(Signed) HELENA.
MERIEL S. TALBOT, Vice-President and Chairman of the Executive Committee.
LOUISA TWINING, Vice-President.
J. WILSON, Hon. Treasurer.”

Lectures to Midwives Under the London County Council.

Arrangements have been made for opening classes at the following centres, on the days and at the times mentioned.

All those who have signified their desire to take advantage of the lectures are invited to attend, without further notice, at the centre most convenient to themselves.

Fee 1s. for the course of Thirteen Lectures. Members may join at any time during the course.

District monthly nurses will also be admitted to these classes.

Subjoined is the list of Schools, with the names of lecturers, the date of commencement, and the time of the lecture:—

- Anbler Road, Blackstock Road, Finsbury Park, N., Dr. Lamport, Tuesday, October 24th, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - Bonneville Road, Clapham Park, S.W., Dr. Sutherland, Monday, October 23rd, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - Carlton Road, Kentish Town, N.W., Dr. Roche, Tuesday, October 24th, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - Collingwood Street, Ratcliff, E., Dr. Lamport, Thursday, October 26th, 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.
 - “Foxhill,” Plumstead Common Road, S.E., Dr. Lamport, Friday, October 27th, 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.
 - “Latchmere,” Battersea Park Road, S.W., Dr. Frazer Nash, Thursday, October 26th, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - “Millbank,” Erasmus Street, Westminster, S.W., Dr. Roche, Friday, October 27th, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - “Victoria,” Becklow Road, Shepherd's Bush, W., Dr. Roche, Monday, October 23rd, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - Westmoreland Road, Walworth, S.E., Dr. Sutherland, Wednesday, October 25th, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - White Lion Street, Pentonville, N., Dr. Roche, Thursday, October 26th, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - Worlington Road, North Kensington, W., Dr. Roche, Wednesday, October 25th, 7 to 9 p.m.
- Any further information may be obtained from Miss Gill, Secretary, Association for Promoting the Training and Supply of Midwives, Dacre House, Dean Farrar Street, Westminster, S.W.

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