

## Shopping Facilities for Nurses.

Nothing demonstrates more conclusively the power which trained nurses are becoming, not only in their own special work, but as a class in the community whose needs merit consideration, than the fact that the great dress houses now devote much time and thought to providing for their special requirements.

MESSRS. GARROULD, 150, EDGWARE ROAD, W.

In confirmation of this, a nurse has only to visit the Hospital Nurses' Saloon set apart by Messrs. Garrould, of Edgware Road, a firm which has always made a point of considering and meeting the needs of nurses, to realise the conveniences arranged for them at the present day. Twenty years ago a nurse in her scanty time off duty had to go from one department to another, often from one establishment to another, to find the things she needed. Even uniform dresses, aprons, and collars and cuffs were often in departments far apart. Now, in the spacious room set apart for their use by Messrs. Garrould, everything nurses are likely to need is to be found, at a moderate cost, and at excellent value for the prices charged.

Every detail of indoor and outdoor uniform, shoes made specially with regard to nurses' requirements, trunks, watches and clocks, invalid furniture, fountain pens, professional cards, all these and many more things may be seen and obtained in this department. Further, a competent staff of attendants, specially trained to understand the needs of nurses, and so to show them what they require with the utmost expedition are always in attendance. Nurses can also meet friends here, or make London appointments, and writing tables are supplied so that letters may be written in comfort. Truly the modern nurse can do her shopping expeditiously and in a thoroughly businesslike way.

It is quite impossible in the space at our disposal to do more than allude to a few of the specialities of this firm.

The Red Cross Report book is very popular amongst private nurses, and the Nurses' Account Receipt Book for rendering accounts to patients in regard to travelling expenses, laundry, etc., should be widely in use. Each receipt has its counterfoil, which would afford an accurate record for reference if, as sometimes happens, the accusation of overcharge is subsequently made by employers in regard to a nurse's charges.

Of wallets there are many examples; our preference is for the white linen one, which can be boiled, after the pattern in use at Queen Charlotte's Hospital. The white linen belts, to be worn with an apron, with special studs for fastening them help to give the trim and neat appearance all nurses desire to attain.

Lastly, nurses in the country have only to write for Messrs. Garrould's illustrated catalogue to enable them to select what they require, and order it by post.

MESSRS. DEBENHAM AND FREEBODY, WIGMORE STREET.

The firm of Messrs. Debenham and Freebody in Wigmore Street, W. are well-known for the high

standard of excellence maintained in all departments. For many years past they have had a Nurses' Department, and now, in their new and palatial establishment, rapidly rising in the block bounded by Wigmore Street, Wimpole Street and Welbeck Street, they propose to devote still further space and attention to this branch, and many nurses will doubtless avail themselves of the facilities offered by this firm of high repute.

In passing, we may mention that the Fur Department of this firm is one for which they are deservedly renowned, and passing through it recently we saw most fascinating furs, many of them at very moderate prices.

Another speciality of the firm, which always greatly interests us, is the department for antique embroideries, many of the old needlework pictures being exceptionally fine.

MESSRS. WALLIS AND Co., LTD., HOLBORN CIRCUS, E.C.

In the City district Messrs. Wallis and Co., of Holborn Circus, make a special feature of providing for the requirements of nurses, and their uniforms and nursing outfits are deservedly very popular. The blue cloth cape, lined with red flannel, which is worn by the nurses of St. Bartholomew's Hospital when crossing the Square, is made by this firm, and is a marvel of cheapness. Such a cape would be useful to all nurses who have to cross open spaces, and has only to be seen for its use and value to be appreciated. Messrs. Wallis will send their illustrated catalogue post free on application.

MESSRS. BROOKS & Co., 143, BOROUGH HIGH STREET, LONDON BRIDGE.

Further east—near Guy's Hospital, is the establishment of Messrs. Brooks & Co. in the Borough High Street, London Bridge, who have a reputation of nearly 100 years' standing. They also are hospital contractors and Nurses' Outfitters, and the fact that nurses who have dealt with this firm return to it again and again is sufficient proof that they appreciate the goods supplied to them. Messrs. Brooks also publish an illustrated catalogue which they are glad to send to nurses, post free.

ATTRACTIVE HOMES AT SMALL COST.

We were recently invited to Letchworth to see two charming cottages built by a trained nurse. If other nurses are thinking of embarking on a similar enterprise and wish to have an object lesson in the latest developments in this direction they should pay a visit to Messrs. Oetzmann & Co., 62, Hampstead Road, W., whose two model bungalows specially designed for the firm are on view, tastefully, and inclusively furnished, the one for 45 and the other for 60 guineas. Messrs. Oetzmann will not only furnish but build the cottage, and a really charming one, from a design of Mr. W. H. White, F.R.I.B.A., costs only £200. The furniture of these cottages is equally suitable for small flats.

The firm are also showing a suite for a bed-sitting room, which would be useful to the increasing number of nurses who live in their own furnished rooms.

To those who are unable to pay a visit to Messrs. Oetzmann's establishment their illustrated catalogue will give a good idea of the daintiness of their furnishing schemes.

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