

modation it afforded, it occurred to me that the public appreciation of Mrs. Macdonald's services to the Hospital and to the Colony could scarcely find more fitting expression than in the remedying of this defect by the equipment of a special ward to be used exclusively for the nursing to health of sick children. I deemed it a special privilege when I was subsequently allowed to associate myself with this project.

"The first of these was the debt of gratitude I personally owe, and shall never be able adequately to pay, to the profession to which, if Mrs. Macdonald did not actually belong, she was closely connected. This profession has grown up in my lifetime, and has in that time lessened the sum of human suffering in the world. I do not think the world sufficiently recognises what it owes to the trained nurse. Her life is a hard one, but there are great compensations. When under the doctor's directions after a hard fight with disease, death has been driven back, the nurse must feel the elation of the soldier on the battlefield that has been won by his courage and devotion as well as by his general's skill and knowledge. And if the satisfaction of doctor and nurse is keen when the bearded grain has been saved, how much greater must be their contentment when the sickle of the dread Reaper is stayed from cutting down the flowers that grow between.

"Every child whose life is saved, limb made whole, weakness cured, constitution strengthened in this Hospital will add to the potential strength of this Colony and of the British Dominions of which it forms a part. And, apart from this—the statesman's view of the matter—we lovers of children count as a gain every babe's discomfort eased, ache soothed, and tear dried. We recognise that Childhood has a right to joy and pleasure, and that it is our duty to free it from grief and pain."

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OVALTINE.

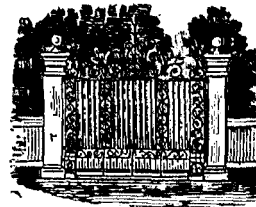
Many invalids and dyspeptics who are unable to take tea and coffee will find a pleasant substitute in Ovaltine, which is not only a beverage but a food, as it is composed of malt extract, fresh eggs, milk, and converted cocoa. It is very easily prepared, and contains active lecithin, the most important constituent of the brain, spinal cord, and nerves. It is supplied by A. Wander, Ph.D., London Office, 1-3, Leonard Street, City Road, E.C. Other valuable preparations of this firm are the Dry Extract of Malt with Glycerophosphates Compound, and Formitrol Pastilles, which pleasantly and effectively supersede gargles in rendering the mouth and throat aseptic.

NURSE'S DIARY AND EMERGENCY NOTE BOOK.

The neat little Scott's Emulsion Nurse's Diary, issued by Scott and Bowne, Ltd., 11, Stonecutter Street, E.C., will be welcome to many nurses, and contains much useful information. It also contains a Coupon-Insurance Ticket, which, when signed, entitles the holder to substantial remuneration in case of accident, or her legal personal representative to £500 in the event of her death.

Outside the Gates.

WOMEN.



The Royal College of Surgeons has made some alterations in the regulations for the admission of women students to the College Museum. These alterations have been rendered necessary on account of the

admission of women to the College diplomas, and in order that they may have the same opportunity for the purposes of study as male students. It is understood that a number of women students have already entered for the examinations of the Conjoint Board of the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons, to be held this month, and also for the examinations for the diploma in public health granted by the Royal Colleges.

The following resolution has been sent by the Deutscher Verband für Frauenstimmrecht (the German National Union of Women's Suffrage Associations) to the Prime Minister with a request that it may be communicated to the Cabinet:—

"The German Union for Woman Suffrage, through its national and local councils, expresses its deep indignation at the cruelty practised upon suffragists in English prisons. They protest especially against the fact that in a constitutional State women who have been judged for political offences have been treated like common criminals. They protest also against the fact that in defiance of the ordinary law of the land such women have been forced for weeks and months to undergo the painful operation of forcible feeding, so that on account of their political convictions they have been exposed to lifelong and irreparable injury to their health and strength."

The International Council of Women, founded by Mrs. May Wright Sewall, of Indianapolis, U.S.A., just twenty-one years ago, has issued a volume as a permanent memento of its recent meeting in Canada under the title of "Our Lady of the Sunshine and Her International Visitors, 1909." Leading women workers of twelve different countries give their impressions of Canada. Much valuable insight is furnished as to the various methods employed in different countries, and the whole record points to most encouraging results for this sisterhood of women workers united for the realisation of high ideals. To quote one of the delegates, it opens "possibilities of a peaceful, bloodless, world-wide revolution through a unified system of philanthropy, education, health, and social reform. This is the task the International Council of Women is accomplishing, this is the surest impression of the Congress." "Our Lady of the Sunshine" is most interestingly illustrated, and can be ordered, price 1s., from Miss Dallas, Vice-Regal Lodge, Dublin.

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