

Reflections.

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.

Queen Alexandra, who is the President of the League of Children to Help Poor Crippled Children, has sent to Sir William Treloar's Cripples' Hospital at Alton, fifty boxes of chocolates for distribution amongst the little patients.

Queen Alexandra has also consented to become patron of the Children's Sanatorium for the Treatment of Phthisis, near Holt, Norfolk.

We note that at an inquiry in the Southwark Court respecting the death of a boy aged nine, Dr. Fritz Kahlenberg, of Guy's Hospital, expressed the opinion that it should be sufficient if two or three doctors agreed that an operation was necessary, that they should operate without waiting for parents' or guardians' consent. Time was everything in many cases, and if consent was waited for a life might be sacrificed. As this is contrary to law, Dr. Kahlenberg would have our law altered. The Coroner said perhaps some Members of Parliament would take it up, but we feel sure that so serious a change in the law will never be sanctioned in this country.

Lord Grey, the Governor-General of Canada, last week laid the corner-stone of the new General and University Hospital in Toronto, which is to cost £600,000. Lord Grey said that among the many privileges attending his Governor-Generalship he would always consider the laying of this stone as the greatest. It was at the General Hospital, Toronto, that Miss Snively worked for a quarter of a century, and where she founded one of the most successful training schools in Canada. Some day let us hope the International Council of Nurses may visit the magnificent hospital to be. It will be Canada's turn before long.

Just before Easter Dr. Addison, M.P., introduced a Bill into Parliament to require that in public elementary schools instruction should be given in hygiene and to girls in the care and feeding of infants. He said the Bill, which was identical with that which he introduced last year, was supported by members in all parts of the House. The reports of the chief medical officers to the Local Government Board and the Board of Education showed how necessary it was that some instruction of this character should be given. During the last few years there had been a remarkable diminution in infantile mortality in this country, but the instruction provided for in the Bill was necessary if we were to do away with the preventable waste of life and human misery and suffering which formed so discreditable a part of our national life.

At the Annual Meeting of the City of London Lying-in Hospital, the Lord Mayor appealed to the charitable public to remove the debt of £13,500 which burdened the hospital, and upon which a considerable sum of money was paid by way of interest.

The Dowager Lady Smiley has supplemented the endowment fund of the Smiley Hospital, Lerne, built by her and the late Sir Hugh Smiley at their own expense, by an additional donation of £5,000.

The seventh National Peace Congress will be held this year in Edinburgh on June 13th to 15th. The meetings include four sessions for the discussion of peace questions and work, a reception by the municipal authorities, a public meeting, sectional meetings, and excursions. An educational conference will also be arranged.

An interesting Congress, the first Universal Races Congress, is to be held at the University of London from July 26th to 29th. The object will be to discuss in the light of modern knowledge, and the modern conscience, the general relations subsisting between the peoples of the West and those of the East.

IN MEMORIAM.

A memorial brass tablet to the memory of Miss Campbell, daughter of the late Rev. Donald Campbell, Minister of Glossary, Argyllshire, for 53 years, has been placed in the parish church, above the spot where Miss Campbell used to worship in the old manse pew, by her mother and family.

The inscription is as follows:—"To the glory of God, and in memory of Jane Graham Campbell, Missionary Nurse Superintendent, Charteris Hospital, Kalimpong, India. Died at Kalimpong, 10th October, 1909." The Rev. Evan Mackenzie, at home from India on furlough, who dedicated the memorial, said Miss Campbell was a woman in a thousand, always bright, genial, and joyful, a great favourite with all her fellow workers, and beloved by the natives. Though dead, her life spoke to them of the nobility of womanhood, and the supreme happiness and never fading inheritance of a true and consecrated life, true and faithful even unto death.

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Messrs. Tidman and Son, Ltd., the proprietors of Tidman's Sea Salt, have just received striking confirmation of the fact that this celebrated remedy really contains all the valuable life-giving elements of sea water, and is in fact actually made from the sea, as the proprietors assert. The authorities of the Natural History Department of the British Museum at South Kensington, in a letter we have actually seen, state that specimens of a crustacean known as the brine shrimp ("*Artemia*") have developed in a strong solution of Tidman's Sea Salt, which had been kept for some time. They consider its occurrence is very interesting as this animal is only found in sea water. It will thus be seen that the incident furnishes a complete proof that Tidman's Sea Salt really does, as it professes to do, yield a bath of real sea water, and contains unimpaired all the elements which make sea bathing so beneficial.

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