

WHERE TO GO FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Christmas is a time when everyone desires to offer to relatives, friends and neighbours some token of affection or goodwill. The gift is not cherished because of its intrinsic value, but because of all that it represents—love, kindness, respect—all the best qualities of the human heart which overflow at Christmastide, and find outward expression in the offerings which have marked the season ever since the three kings brought their gifts to the Manger Throne at Bethlehem. Nurses are not a rich community, so that their gifts are carefully chosen, and probably are for this very reason all the more appropriate and cherished.

As every moment of a nurse's time is valuable, it is important that she should be able to find what she needs with the least possible delay. Any of the gifts which we mention below would be sure to be appreciated.

First, surely every nurse desires to possess a portrait of Florence Nightingale, and none could be more beautiful than the reproduction of the famous picture in the National Gallery, obtainable from the Men's League for Women's Suffrage, 159, St. Stephen's House, Westminster, price 5s. There could not be a more charming present for a nurse or an institution connected with nursing, and we should advise those who desire to possess it to secure it without delay, for the supply is limited, and we hear that there is a widespread demand for it through the publicity given to it in this JOURNAL, and the nurses in one hospital in the North of England are ordering it in half-dozens.

Then can anything give greater pleasure to the real book-lover than a new book? An invaluable present is "A History of Nursing," by Miss L. L. Dock and Miss M. A. Nutting, which tells most charmingly the story of the making of her profession, with which every nurse should be familiar. Another welcome gift would be Miss Dock's "Materia Medica for Nurses," price 3s. 6d. Both these are published by Messrs. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 24, Bedford Street, Strand, W.C., who also publish a fascinating little volume, "A Melody in Silver," as one of their "Mauve Library," price 2s., which we hope soon to review.

"A Manual of Nursing, Medical and Surgical," by Dr. Lawrence Humphry, price 3s. 6d., published by Charles Griffin & Co., Ltd., Exeter Street, Strand, is very popular with nurses, and "The Science and Art of Nursing," published by the Waverley Book Co., Ltd., which is making a special and attractive offer on page ix of our advertisement supplement in this issue, would be a very handsome and most acceptable gift to any nurse or institution.

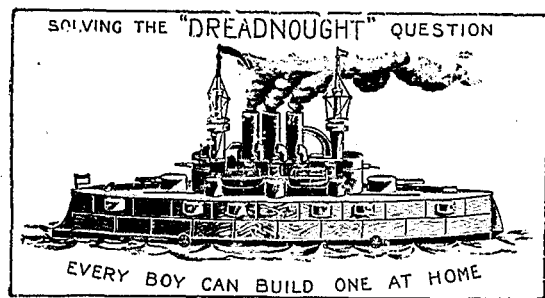
Then certainly no one can go wrong in giving a friend a rubber hot-water-bottle. There is more comfort in such a gift than words can express, and bottles of most excellent quality

and moderate in price may be obtained from Messrs. W. H. Bailey & Son, 38, Oxford Street, London, W., or from the Medical Supply Association, 228, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.

A CHILDREN'S PARADISE.

One of the most attractive Christmas Bazaars is always to be found at Messrs. Garrould's, 150, Edgware Road, witness the wistful little faces of the children who, outside the gates of Paradise, hover as near by as possible.

As one enters the spacious department devoted to the bazaar one meets "Wee McGregor" doing the Highland Fling—scores of Wee McGregors indeed, which at 4½d. each are irresistible, and we speedily become possessed of two. The amusement they will provide is cheap at the price. Once inside the department the attractions are almost bewildering. Prominent is a most delightful black mechanical bear who pours out, and drinks



THE "DREADNOUGHT," AN IDEAL TOY.

well—water, let us hope, for his capacities for imbibing seem unlimited. He is for the well-to-do as he costs three guineas. Then there are most fascinating mechanical railways from 9½d. to 10s. 6d., and stations, tunnels, lamps and bridges are also obtainable. If you want a Christmas tree without the trouble of dressing it Messrs. Garrould will provide it for you ready trimmed at most moderate cost. Dolls, Santa Claus surprise stockings, tool-boxes, every kind of toy at most reasonable prices, are on every hand, besides quantities of dainty and useful articles. Perhaps the toy which attracted us most was the "Dreadnought," which is built of bricks, as seen in the accompanying illustration. It can be had in three sizes, at 1s. 11½d., 2s. 11½d., and 5s. 11d., and would keep a boy amused and happy for hours.

The Nurses' Saloon is, as usual, well stocked with everything nurses can want, and those who wish to give them useful presents cannot do better than write for Messrs. Garrould's illustrated "Red Cross" catalogue, from which they can select presents which cannot fail to please.

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