

TRADE EXHIBITS.

Amongst specially noticeable trade exhibits were those of:—

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK Co., Slough, who were showing a graduated glass in which to mix their excellent preparation, so that the exact amount taken can be easily estimated, and their well designed Infant's Feeder, costing only 1s. 2d.

LEMCO AND OXO, of Thames House, Queen Street Place, London, showed their scientifically prepared concentrated preparations, now so well known and deservedly popular.

QUIBELL BROS., LTD., Newark-on-Trent, were well to the fore with "Kerol," their non-toxic and most useful germicide in its various forms.

MME. ROBSART & Co., 30, Ferham Road, West Kensington—a company of trained nurses—showed that they had used their professional knowledge to good purpose in the attractive uniforms which they were exhibiting. Dresses made in "Duro," a most excellent material, to a purchaser's own pattern, cost from 13s. 9d. to 18s. 6d.; princess robe petticoats, with bodice and petticoat in one, trimmed with lace, 6s. 6d. to 8s.; cloaks £1 1s. to £2 10s.; dainty bonnets trimmed with ribbon velvet at 8s. 6d., or piece velvet 7s. 6d.; handkerchiefs, stockings, belts and caps, very well made and moderate in price, are also obtainable from this firm.

One of the most famous firms in Bristol with a celebrity extending to Royal Palaces in this country and to several of the Courts of Europe, is that of MESSRS. J. S. FRY, LTD., whose Concentrated Cocoa, Breakfast Cocoa, and Milk Chocolate are household words. One of the more recent additions to the preparations of this excellent firm is their "Pure Malted Cocoa," which promises to attain a wide popularity.

MESSRS. EGERTON BURNETT, LTD., of Wellington, Somerset, are contractors to Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute, and certainly the specimens of their goods at this Exhibition showed that they had well earned that distinction. Their cloaks in Royal Serge are admirable in material and design, as well as calculated to stand the hard wear which the work of a district nurse necessarily entails.

LITERATURE.

THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, with illustrations of Bristol hospitals, was on sale in the Exhibition, and amongst many interesting books and pamphlets on view, including the useful publications of the Nurses Social Union, was a new text-book of nursing by Mr. E. W. Hey Groves, M.S., F.R.C.S., and Dr. W. Fortescue Brickdale, admirably produced and profusely illustrated in colour, published by the Oxford University Press.

Another book which requires no introduction to nurses is "The Science and Art of Nursing," published by Messrs. Cassell, La Belle Sauvage, E.C., the four handsome volumes of which in their red and gold binding were conspicuously in evidence.

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OUTSIDE THE GATES.

WOMEN.

The King has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Viscount Haldane of Cloan to be Lord High Chancellor. All good Suffragists will offer congratulations.

On Monday night the Home Secretary made the welcome announcement in the House of Commons that he had advised the transfer of Mrs. Pankhurst and Mr. and Mrs. Pethick-Lawrence to be first-class misdemeanants. The removal of these political prisoners from criminal associates in the second-class is better late than never. The excessive sentences and general treatment of suffragist prisoners is arousing a very deep and bitter sense of injury in women. Many valuable workers are preparing to emigrate. We constantly hear the opinion expressed: "I'm off—this old country no good any more for women with brains and consciences."

Those of our readers who helped us to obtain the release from prison of Nurse Pitfield will learn with relief that her sufferings, which have been agonising (as they were during her most wicked detention in gaol), may cease in a little while. What humane heart could desire them prolonged?—not those of us who realise her condition. Yet, although death approaches, the wonderful spirit which in life has suffered such martyrdom is unquenched. This wonderful woman has expressed a wish that even when dead her body may be used for one last demonstration for the cause of woman's freedom. She wishes for a public funeral, that her coffin may be draped with the colours of the Women's Social and Political Union which she loves, that no dirge, but that the inspiring music of the "Women's March" may be played, that for the last time before she sinks into the grave her dead body may take part with the living in the demand for the Vote. This desire is not morbid or prompted by vanity, but is the last cry of a great soul before it passes into silence—if, indeed, the vital voice of conscience is ever silent.

The White Slave Traffic Bill passed its second reading in the House of Commons on Monday evening without a division. It has taken five years' agitation to get a second reading for this Bill, and the fact that it has been brought forward for second reading over a hundred times and blocked is one of the strongest arguments for Women's Suffrage which can be brought forward. The chief object of the Bill is to give facilities to the police for arresting men suspected of being engaged in this infamous traffic without having first to get a summons out. It makes the offence a felonious one instead of merely a misdemeanour. Our contribution to the agitation was the story of "Little Cuckoo Flower," which has been widely read and most sympathetically commended.

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