

## WHAT NURSES SHOULD KNOW.

### THE SURGICAL MANUFACTURING CO.

The Surgical Manufacturing Co., which under the management of Mr. J. Edwards is now doing business at 85, Mortimer Street, London, W. (two doors from Great Portland Street), is most centrally situated for private nurses, who are likely to find the advantages offered a great convenience.

The firm make a speciality of sterilized dressings in sealed tin drums, ready for surgical operations, at moderate prices, which can be obtained at any hour of the day and night. The sterilization is carried out under the personal supervision of an experienced nurse. Dressings to meet the requirements of almost any operation, as well as hucka-back towels, surgeon's overalls and veils can be supplied out of stock. But if required, special drums of dressings can be prepared and sterilized



THE PARAGON BED-TABLE.

at sixty minutes' notice. Three of the sets are especially designed to meet the requirements of an accouchement case.

Operation outfits are supplied at a cost of 21s., including collection and delivery within four miles. No. 1 set includes a portable operating table, instrument table, sterilizer for instruments with lamp, trays, bowls, graduated jug, and No. 4 drum of sterilized dressings, overall and towels. It is an immense convenience, when an operation has to be performed at short notice, for the nurse to be able to take this comprehensive outfit.

The firm also make a feature of supplying invalid furniture, and water beds and cushions on hire, and in the event of the patient desiring later to keep them, the price charged for hire goes towards the cost of purchase.

A very convenient bed and library table, which can be put to a variety of uses is the "Paragon," constructed of weldless steel tubing and walnut finished wood. The cost, without side table, is only 22s. 6d., and it can be packed flat in a specially prepared case for export. The "Paragon" secured the only medal awarded to such a table at the Turin Exhibition.

At the present time the firm will send to nurses a most useful case book, post free, on application.

### THE SETSNUG SANITARY BELT.

It would be difficult to commend too highly the simplicity and utility of the Setsnug sanitary belt for ladies manufactured only by Messrs. Burnet & Temple, Ltd., 4, Fitchett's Court, London, E.C., and obtainable through all drapers and chemists. We believe that nurses and others have only to see it to appreciate its advantages, and that the more widely it is known the more widely it will be used. It is made of soft surgical webbing, 2½ inches wide, so shaped that it fits comfortably over the hips. Attached to the belt at right angles, back and front, are two short tabs provided with strong safety pins, by means of which any sanitary towel can be readily attached. The price of the belt, which is porous and washable, is 1s., but those nurses who take advantage of the offer on page iv of our advertisement columns can obtain one free. The belt is made in three sizes, small, medium, and large, and the size required should be mentioned.

## NURSING NEWS FROM AMERICA.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NURSING EXHIBIT.

In response to a request from the General Committee of the International Congress on Hygiene and Demography for suggestions regarding plans whereby nurses in America might participate in the Congress to be held in Washington, September, 1912, Miss Nutting and M. s Wald offered two suggestions. First, that a paper on the relationship of nurses to the public health movement in America be read before a general session of the Congress; second, that an exhibit be prepared, showing graphically the relationship of nurses in various movements included in the term "public service nursing."

As the result of the second recommendation, a Committee on Nursing Exhibit was organised, which met in Chicago, June 6th, 1912, in session with the Council of the American Nurses' Association. After discussion it was decided not to prepare and send an exhibit to the International Congress on Hygiene and Demography because of the cost, lack of time to raise additional funds and to assemble desirable material for such an exhibit.

After further discussion it was decided to retain the Committee, with additional members, as a permanent committee, authorised by the Council of the American Nurses' Association to prepare a permanent national exhibit to be available for use throughout the country by state nursing associations and others desirous of doing propaganda work in the field of public health nursing. The hope was also expressed that permission might be secured from the directors of the Panama

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