

OUR PRIZE COMPETITION.

WHAT ARE THE DANGERS (a) TO THE MOTHER, (b) TO THE CHILD, IN A CASE WHERE THERE IS A PURULENT VAGINAL DISCHARGE AT THE BEGINNING OF LABOUR?

We have pleasure in awarding the prize this week to Miss Dora F. Chapman, Norton, Malton, Yorkshire, for her paper on the above subject. We regret that owing to pressure on our space we are unable to publish the paper this week.

HONOURABLE MENTION.

The following competitors receive honourable mention:—Miss Gladys Tatham, Miss H. Scott, Miss Elizabeth Douglas, Miss M. Mackintosh, and Miss O'Brien.

QUESTION FOR NEXT WEEK.

Mention some of the uses of the skin, its condition in health, and some prominent features characteristic of disease.

GUY'S HOSPITAL PAST AND PRESENT NURSES' LEAGUE.

The Eleventh Annual Meeting and the Fifth Annual Dinner of the Guy's Hospital Nurses' League will be held in the Nurses' Home on Friday evening, April 18th. Tickets for the dinner may be obtained, price 1s. each, and application for them should be made not later than Thursday, April 17th, addressed to the Hon. Secretary at the Matron's office.

The Tenth Annual Exhibition of the Guy's Hospital Nurses' Photographic Society will be opened in the Nurses' Home on April 18th. Efforts are being made to make the Exhibition a great success.

The First Exhibition of Needlework will also be opened in the Nurses' Home on April 18th.

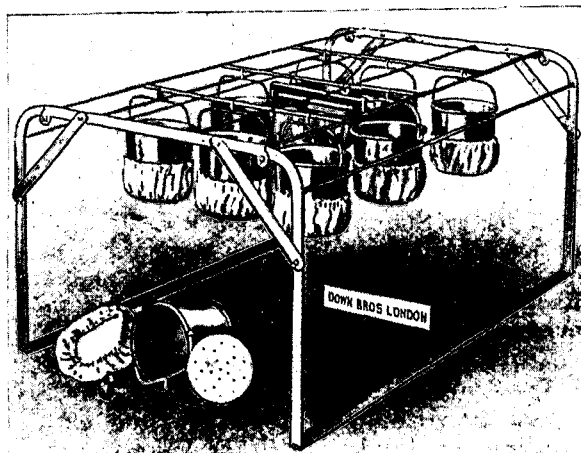
The Annual Dinner is to be at 7 p.m. punctually, and the Annual Meeting 8 p.m.

HIGHER EDUCATION OF NURSES, GERMANY.

We have to thank Sister Agnes Karll for a Syllabus of the Studies for the Leipzig College Course for Nurses for the higher training of nurses. It is most comprehensive and valuable, and will rival the splendid course already in working order at Teachers' College, New York. Whilst rejoicing greatly with our dear German colleagues, it is inevitable that we should feel keenly the neglect of nursing education in this country, and long for the passing of the Registration Bill, through which alone there is any hope of organization and advancement.

A PRACTICAL APPLIANCE.

The accompanying illustration is of an improved ice cradle (for which application has been made for a patent) supplied by Messrs. Down Bros., Ltd., 21-23, St. Thomas Street, London, E.C., and suggested by Miss K. C. Braidwood, Matron, Infectious Diseases Hospital, Mylands, Colchester. This appliance consists of a light folding body cradle, to the top frame of which are attached a thermometer and set of eight ice pails. The bases of the latter are enveloped in flannel caps, which, by absorbing the moisture due to condensation, effectually prevent dripping. The pails can be detached singly and the number in use at any time regulated to the requirements of the case. The apparatus can easily be managed by one nurse. It is convenient in carriage and storage, and the cradle folds flat when not in use. As the patient's temperature falls one or more pails may be removed. Those who have tried to



arrange an ice cradle by more old-fashioned methods, realize the gain to the patient in a convenient appliance of this kind.

RADIUM PREPARATIONS.

Amongst the marvellous discoveries of the present age is the therapeutic value of radium, a potent force the possibilities of which are even now only dimly appreciated. Messrs. Chas. Zimmermann & Co., 9 & 10, St. Mary-at-Hill, London, E.C., are now in a position to supply high-grade Radium Salts, Apparatus, and Radiogen Preparations, including Radium Bromide, with applicators, Radium Emanatorium (for rendering the air radio-active in the treatment of gout, rheumatism, arthritis, general diseases of metabolism, and bronchial affections), emanation generating syphons for preparing radio-active drinking water, radiogen compresses, radio-active earth (for mud baths), aseptic ampoules (for rheumatism and neuritis), radium solution (for ionic medication), radiogen capsules (a new and effective method of administering radium), &c. Prices and further information are obtainable from the firm, on application.

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