

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK Co., of Slough, Bucks.—No exhibition is quite complete without a stand at which Horlick's Malted Milk can be tasted and tested, and we are glad to announce that this ideal food is being shown and demonstrated at the stand of this firm, at which all visitors are cordially invited to call.

THE JELLOID Co., of 76, Finsbury Avenue.—The Iron "Jelloids" (Trade Mark) are a neutral, pleasant, and non-constipating form of iron tonic which are not only widely prescribed by the medical profession, but greatly appreciated by the public. They are often tolerated when iron in other forms cannot be taken.

KEEN, ROBINSON & Co., LTD. (incorporated with J. & J. Colman, Ltd), of Denmark St., St. George's-in-the-East, London. The specialities of this firm, Keen's Mustard, and Robinson's "Patent Barley" and "Patent" Groats are well known and much appreciated by nurses and the public generally. They are to be found at the stand of this firm, and should be thoroughly examined.

THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, of 431, Oxford Street, London, W.—At this stand the Special Irish Conference number of **THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING** will be on sale, as well as the Transactions of the Cologne Congress, The Overstrain of Nurses, by Dr. Hecker, The Isla Stewart Oration, the Annual Report of the Society for State Registration of Trained Nurses, and other publications of professional interest.

WHERE TO SHOP.

One of the establishments in Dublin, which will, no doubt, attract many of the Conference visitors, is that of Messrs. Switzer & Co., Ltd., of 90, Grafton Street, where is to be found a choice collection of dressing gowns (from 21s. to 35s.), rest gowns, and tea gowns. The new broché silk crêpe rest gowns, in various attractive shades, and lined throughout with silk, cost only 49s. 6d. each; and dainty and useful tea gowns are also most moderate in price. A large stock of high-class lingerie is also on view.

The baby-linen department comprises every kind of garment, both useful and attractive, which a mother can desire; also cots, baskets, and travelling hampers, and other delectable articles.

SOUVENIRS FROM DUBLIN.

One of the charms of visiting other countries is the enrichment of our homes by the treasures which we carry away with us, and we have no doubt that nurses who visit Dublin will wish to possess one or more of the attractive Irish articles to be found at Paris House, 58 Grafton Street, near Stephen's Green. Here are to be found fascinating trifles in bog oak and Connemara marble, ornaments and jewellery, Irish lace and fans, Belleek china, a bewildering array, of which the only difficulty will be to make a selection. We advise our readers on no account to miss this opportunity of securing some distinctively Irish souvenirs of their visit to Dublin.

DISTRICT NURSING IN IRELAND.

ST. PATRICK'S NURSES' HOME.

District nursing in Ireland owes its birth to St. Patrick's Cathedral Mission, in Dublin. Two or three enthusiastic ladies, including the late Lady Plunket (then Miss Anne Guinness), conducted the Mission, which sent Bible women to the poor of Dublin; and taught and employed poor women in useful needlework. As these ladies were brought in contact with much sickness among the people to whom they ministered, the idea of adding district nurses to the charity was soon conceived; and in 1876 a home was started in the slums surrounding the Cathedral. For many years St. Patrick's Nurses' Home carried on excellent work as part of the Mission, though the rule that the nurses should not interfere with the religion of the patients was enforced from the first—so that people of all creeds gladly availed themselves of the benefit. In 1890 the Home affiliated with Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute, and added the training of Queen's candidates to its functions. Later on better quarters were found at 101, St. Stephen's Green, which are still retained by the association. The staff consists of a superintendent (Miss Christabel Crowther), a district superintendent, and ten or twelve nurses. It is chiefly supported by voluntary contributions; and, up to the present, has never resorted to bazaars, concerts, or any sort of entertainment, to augment the funds, a position to be proud of, but difficult to maintain in these days of competitive charity. Last year 3,388 cases were nursed; and 58,545 visits paid. Since uniting with the Queen's Institute, 171 Queen's Nurses have been trained at St. Patrick's. A very flourishing Needlework Guild is attached to the Home; and a Soup Kitchen is open three days a week, from November to May, giving free soup to needy patients.

ST. LAWRENCE'S HOME.

St. Lawrence's Home, Dublin, for district nurses of the Roman Catholic faith, was founded as a direct result of the work of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute, the Council of which invited Lady O'Hagan to visit Dublin and arouse interest in the scheme. The Home was first opened at 12, Mary Street, in 1891, the first Superintendent being Miss St. Clair, trained in the Nightingale School of St. Thomas' Hospital. In 1894 the work had quite outgrown the accommodation in the original quarters, and Lady O'Hagan, who had always taken great interest in the nurses and their work, generously offered her Dublin house at 34, Rutland Square, as a Hostel for the nurses. They have therefore exceptionally spacious and delightful quarters.

Miss St. Clair was followed by Miss Horan, who held the position of Superintendent for over ten years, when she resigned her office to Miss Madeline McArdle. There is now a large staff of nurses, the increase in the numbers being

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