

are relied upon by thousands of nurses for giving suitable support as well as relief to weak feet. Nurses should call at Stand 29B, where they can see and learn the merits of them.

MESSRS. BURROUGHS, WELLCOME & Co., of Snow Hill Buildings, E.C. (Stand 35 and 36B), have a charming and comprehensive exhibit, and visitors to the exhibition should on no account miss this Stand. Their "Tabloid" preparations and dressings are well known, and the "Tabloid" First Aid equipment, designed specially for nurses, and which can be attached to the handle bar of a cycle is most compact and convenient. "Tabloid" tea provides the busy worker with the material for an excellent and refreshing cup of this beverage at a minimum of expense.

Lysol is always a favourite disinfectant with nurses who find it both reliable and convenient in use. MESSRS. CHAS. ZIMMERMAN & Co., LTD., of 9 and 10, St. Mary-at-Hill, E.C. are explaining its merits at Stand 37B, and no doubt many of those visiting the exhibition will avail themselves of the opportunity to replenish their supply.

THE "DO-ALL" BUCKET AND MOP.

We do not wonder that the "Do-all" bucket and mop which may be seen at Stall 53A, is commending itself to hospital authorities and that 24 of these useful buckets are in daily use at the new King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E. Nurses have only to note its capacity for work as demonstrated in the Nursing Exhibition to realize how satisfactory that work is, and how much time and labour is saved by its use. It is obtainable from J. J. Chettle & Co., 159, Victoria Street, S.W.

"IDEAL" BOOTS AND SHOES FOR NURSES.

Every worker has his or her stock in trade, and it is not too much to say that a nurse's chief asset is the soundness of her feet, for, however skilful her hands, if her feet fail her all her skill and deftness will be of little use. It is of the utmost importance therefore that she should be comfortably and suitably shod, and we commend to the notice of those visiting the Nursing and Midwifery Exhibition, the footwear supplied by Messrs. Hall & Sons, Ltd., of 60, Bishopsgate, E.C., and 370, Strand, W.C., for they have studied the special requirements of the nursing profession, and their boots and shoes, well cut, and moderate in price, are specially designed to suit them. Especially suited to tender feet are the "Ideal" Oxford Shoe, at 13s. 9d. in glacé kid, which has a light, flexible spring in the waist, the seamless boots (21s. per pair) and shoes (16s. 6d. per pair) in which a seam on the inner side of the front of the foot, which often causes discomfort, in the case of tender toe joints, is cleverly avoided, and the ward shoes in glacé kid, with a strap over the instep, at the low price of 5s. 11d. and 7s. 9d. per pair, the good value of which is really remarkable.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON VENEREAL DISEASES.

At the thirtieth meeting Dr. Florence Willey, assistant physician for diseases of women at the Royal Free Hospital, gave evidence.

Dr. Willey urged strongly the need for early and effective treatment of both gonorrhœa and syphilis, and said that, in order to secure such treatment, it was necessary to provide firstly for the early and scientific diagnosis of all suspicious cases, and secondly for some means of efficient treatment of such a nature that infected persons would willingly avail themselves of it.

It would be necessary, she thought, to provide free of cost facilities for carrying out Wassermann tests and bacteriological examinations and for the post-mortem examination of still-born children and miscarriages. The results of such post-mortem examinations should be notified to the doctor attending the case in order that he might be enabled to secure efficient treatment for the mother in cases which were shown to be syphilitic.

Dr. Willey thought that clinics for the treatment of venereal diseases should form part of the work of an institution not wholly devoted to those diseases; they should preferably be part of the work of a general hospital and should be arranged at hours convenient for the working classes. Evening clinics, she said, were very desirable.

On the question of notification Dr. Willey said that she was strongly of opinion that any scheme of notification by name would defeat the end in view, and she therefore advocated that all material sent for diagnosis should be identified by number only.

She further suggested that all patients under treatment should be given definite instruction which would enable them to avoid infecting other people, and that all nurses should be fully instructed in the nursing details of these cases and in the special precautions necessary in each disease to avoid infecting themselves and other patients.

As a preventive measure she thought the instruction of young people in matters of sex hygiene was very desirable.

MR. F. RICHARDSON CROSS.

At the thirty-first meeting of the Royal Commission on Venereal Diseases evidence was given by Mr. F. Richardson Cross, one of the representatives before the Commission of the Royal College of Surgeons. Mr. Cross dealt principally with the effects of venereal diseases upon the eye. He described the serious results which venereal diseases produce in this connection and expressed the opinion that a large proportion of the cases of blindness were due to these diseases. He was not able to give complete statistics on this point, but he gave as an example an examination conducted at a blind school, which showed that blindness was due to ophthalmia neonatorum in 47 cases out of 102. He also referred to the results of an investigation at a French institution

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