

As regards the factor of worry, I cannot help remarking on the harm done by sensational paragraphs in the type of newspaper that is out for an increase in its circulation with a recklessness of the consequences that constitutes it a journalistic juggernaut. It is greatly to be wished that these articles could be rigidly censored.

I will say very little about the treatment of the patient, because it resolves itself simply into skilful nursing and feeding. There is no antiseptic that will kill the bacteria, nor have we an antitoxin to neutralise their products, so we must concentrate our efforts on keeping the patient alive until his natural defensive powers have elaborated the antitoxin from his own resources, and increasing these latter by every means in our power; of these the most potent is skilled nursing, on which I do not presume to instruct readers of this Journal.

Perhaps, after all, I ought to say a word about the names given to the disease. Epidemic Polio-encephalitis, which is simply the Greek for inflammation of the cells of the brain, is perhaps the best, and certainly better than Heine-Medin disease, after the man who, I believe, first described it. Epidemic Stupor is applied to the type in which the medulla is not affected. But in any case it is probably not really new, but a lighting up of something which was previously known to the medical profession, though not to the general public; when they ask us about it, it is best, I believe, to say that it is not common; at present there is nothing whatever to justify a scare; and that it is best avoided by not worrying about it, and by seeing that children and young adults get as much fat as they can. Certainly it is unwise to condemn sausages or tinned foods, both of which are valuable articles of diet at the present time.

### NEW TREATMENT OF LEPROSY.

Promising results, says the *Times*, are reported from the treatment of lepers in Burma prisons with injections of chaulmoogra oil, camphor, and resorcin. The patients are given less sweets than with the Roger treatment, for which the new treatment is substituted.

### DEATH OF MRS. CAVELL.

The death took place on Monday last, at Henley-on-Thames, of Mrs. Cavell—mother of Edith Cavell—aged 81. Her death recalls one of the most barbarous crimes, perpetrated by the Germans in October, 1915, when the whole civilized world was horrified by their execution of her daughter.

## NURSING AND THE WAR.

It is not to be wondered at that nurses as well as sailors and soldiers suffer from shell shock, considering the strain and danger of active service. At the Northwood Convalescent Hospital, Buxton, such nurses are received, and our illustration shows a group of them, with colleagues, wounded in the bombing of hospitals, enjoying rest and peace in this lovely Derbyshire health resort. We wish them all complete recovery.

It is worthy of note, and in conformity with nursing tradition, that the applications for admission to the Canadian Army Nursing Service have never been so numerous as at the present time, and the Sisters feel proud that they too share the danger and suffering which their colleagues in other Services, as well as the gallant Canadian troops, have experienced. It is times such as these which bring out all that is most noble in human character.

#### MENTIONED IN DISPATCHES.

Lt.-General G. F. Milne, K.C.B., D.S.O., Commander-in-Chief, British Salonika Force, mentioned the following trained nurses and V.A.D. probationers in a recent dispatch to the Secretary of State for War.

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