

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

Sir Napier Burnett, M.D., addressing a meeting of the West Midlands Region of the British Hospitals Association at Birmingham, said hospitals should be subsidised by the State in consideration of what they did for the national welfare; there should be no waiting lists. He suggested that the situation might be met by Poor Law Hospital buildings being handed over to voluntary committees for administration as voluntary hospitals.

The hospitals cannot have it both ways. State subsidies mean State representation. The truth is that the sick poor desire to eliminate the atmosphere of charity from hospitals. If our well-paid workers co-operated they need no longer be pauperised when sick, either by the State or the rich.

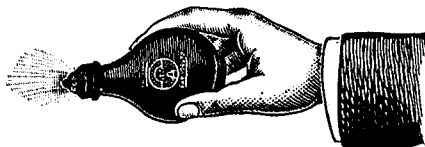
In the meanwhile our finest hospitals are in desperate need of funds.

Some of them are being forced to realise upon their investments. In the case of the Manchester Royal Infirmary the Board of Management received last year a legacy of £20,000. Without that gift the institution would have been £17,000 in debt.

Things are pretty dolorous in Dublin, but the Chief Secretary's statement that Ireland will receive her "due proportion" of the £700,000 that the Committee of the National Relief Fund has allocated for the relief of the voluntary hospitals in the United Kingdom is highly encouraging. It is estimated that a sum of at least £100,000 is needed to place the Dublin hospitals on a sound financial basis. It is hoped to raise a handsome sum by the coming fête at Ballsbridge.

THE "ALL CLEAR" POWDER BLOWER.

We have pleasure in directing attention to the value of a handy little appliance—the "All Clear" Powder Blower, supplied by Messrs. J. G. Ingram & Son, Ltd., the London India Rubber Works, Hackney Wick, London, E. 9. It is made of the best quality india rubber and is of British manufacture. It has no metal parts to corrode, rust or break; and, whereas, when perforations are of metal, they are liable to become choked and are difficult to clear, should



this occur in the "All Clear" at any time, all that is required is to stretch slightly the cap—the holes are thereby increased and immediately the powder falls out, so that the blower becomes again "All Clear" and ready for use.

Its uses are manifold, and it may with advan-

tage be used for applying medicated powder, in the nursery after bathing, and after shaving, when application of the powder by the "All Clear" Blower dries the skin and prevents chapping.

WHERE TO SHOP.

MESSRS. G. COZENS & CO., LTD., 32-50, Edgware Road, are showing some attractive skirts in tweed and silk taffeta, at most moderate prices. Flannel shirt blouses at 6s. 11d. carry us back to pre-war days, and there is a splendid selection of Jap silk shirts. Nurses should also inspect their selection of uniform coats and cloaks.

MESSRS. GAYLER & POPE, LTD., of High Street, Marylebone, W.1., are just now making a special display of new goods for autumn and winter wear at very advantageous terms, as their prices are based on old contracts. Nurses do not need to be told that their requirements are a matter of special consideration with the firm.

THE TENTH LONDON MEDICAL EXHIBITION.

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The following leading firms were amongst the exhibitors at the London Medical Exhibition at the Central Hall, Westminster.

BOVRIL, LTD., 148-166, Old Street, E.C., Food Specialists and Contractors to His Majesty's Navy and Army, were showing their well-known standard preparations—bovril, invalid bovril, and bovril chocolate.

GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY, Horseferry Road, Westminster, S.W. 1, were showing up-to-date examples of gas-heated apparatus.

GENATOSAN, LTD., 12, Chenies Street, W.C. 1 (the British Purchasers of the Sanatogen Co.), were exhibiting their well-known tonic food, Sanatogen, Formamint, their "germ-killing throat tablet" and other preparations. Also their detoxicated vaccines, which, by a new process, have been rendered some 50 to 100 times less poisonous, while their immunising power is greatly increased.

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK Co., Slough, Bucks., was in evidence, both with the milk itself—which is proving itself indispensable not only to infants and the aged, but to athletes and business men—and also the Food Tablets, which are an invaluable emergency ration.

MESSRS. H. K. LEWIS & Co., LTD., 136, Gower Street, W.C. 1, had an attractive stand on which were exhibited all their latest books, including the "Theory and Practice of Nursing," by Miss M. A. Gullan, just published. Another recent volume is the "Gould and Scott Pocket Medical Dictionary." Private nurses should bear in mind the medical and scientific library maintained by this firm, where all the newest books can be read, or obtained, for a subscription of £1 1s. per annum.

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