

THE KENTUCKY FRONTIER NURSING SERVICE.

Here is a charming story illustrative of the good work Mrs. Breckinridge and her brave colleagues are doing in the Kentucky mountains.

"Enos and Eva rode sixteen miles on muleback with their father and fifteen-year-old sister, to come to our nearest center, when they were only two weeks old. Their mother had just died, and the father asked if we would teach the little sister how 'to raise them.' We knew the task would be too much for her during the first year, and it has almost been too much for us. Several times Enos has nearly slipped through our fingers, but we got medical care for him and more than once we speialed him. His father drove a fine cow the sixteen miles for the use of his two babies, and at last we can report them flourishing. Eva has always been sturdier than her brother. In her fifth month she is as rosy and plump as one's heart could wish, and now Enos bids fair to outstrip her."

A FIRM FAVOURITE.

Of methods of marking linen there are many, some good, some otherwise, but a firm favourite, which has stood the test of many years is John Bond's Marking Ink, which cannot be picked out or taken off, and is, moreover, economical in use, for 586 average names can be written from one sixpenny bottle. Moreover, John Bond's Crystal Palace Marking Ink requires no heating and this is always a convenience. It is sold in 6d., 9d. and 1s. bottles, and with those of the last-mentioned size a linen stretcher and a special marking ink pen and holder are supplied. It is sold in many sized bottles from an ounce to a gallon, the latter size, of course, being suitable for hospitals and kindred institutions. It is obtainable through any stationer, chemist or stores, as used in the Royal Households. Next time our readers order marking ink we advise them to insist on having JOHN BOND'S. We have every confidence that it will please them.

AN ESTABLISHED REPUTATION.

Institutions which are replenishing their stocks of sheetings, flannels, blankets, uniform materials, etc., cannot do better than inspect those supplied by the wholesale house of D. Stewart & Co., 16, Staining Lane, Gresham Street, London, E.C.2. This firm has been founded since 1886, and has an established reputation for supplying only satisfactory and durable goods.

ACCEPTABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

CADBURY'S CHOCOLATES.

For young and old the boxes of chocolates supplied by Messrs. Cadbury, of Bournville, are always acceptable Christmas Gifts. You cannot go wrong in offering them. Although their merit alone would win them a place in the world's favour, no firm realises more than does Messrs. Cadbury the value of attractive presentment, so a variety of goodies are put up in charming boxes, tied with equally attractive ribbons. White and gold boxes, tied with crimson ribbon, crimson and gold, blue and white—you can take your choice—all are most handsome. They are just the things to enliven a Christmas tree, and are to be commended with confidence. Why not include some boxes of this delightful confection on your Christmas order list?

INGRAM'S HOT-WATER BOTTLES.

For some unexplained reason, unless it be that they give out so much vitality, nurses are usually chilly people,

and therefore the gift of a hot-water bottle at Christmas is particularly satisfactory.

But the choice of the bottle is important. It is wise to procure one from a well-known maker, and in this connection, the name of Messrs. J. G. Ingram immediately comes to mind. For over eighty years their rubber goods have stood the test of time, no doubt for the reason that these are made of the finest materials. Also they have studied the question for so long that they know what makes both for comfort and durability in a hot-water bottle, and two very valuable devices, in bottles which bear the words Ingram's "Eclipse" hot-water bottles are the patent neck and the patent washer. The "Eclipse" is made in various sizes from 10 by 6 inches, to 16 by 12 inches.

If any one enquires what present you would like for Christmas, why not say a hot-water bottle, but be sure it is Ingram's "Eclipse."

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

If you find you want a variety of things proper to a Christmas tree—and most of us do—Messrs. Gayler & Pope, 112-117, High Street, Marylebone, London, W., have an excellent selection in their Christmas Bazaar. Should you want to renew your State uniform for Christmas they will be pleased to make you one, of good cut and style, and reasonable as to price. Or they will make other uniforms should you desire it, as they have specialised in Nurses' uniforms for many years.

OUTSIDE THE GATES.

The Rev. Archibald Fleming, of St. Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, writes to the *Times* concerning the "special attractions" offered for Armistice Night:—

"I do protest—and I am convinced that you, Sir, and a countless host of your readers will concur—against the exploitation of Armistice Sunday as an occasion for amplifying and advertising that 'laughter of the fool' which an anonymous Scriptural writer compares to 'the crackling of thorns under a pot.' My friend, the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, recognising this abuse, and the pain which it must give to the bereaved and maimed to read of it, succeeded, a year or two ago, largely by your help, in turning a proposed orgy in the Albert Hall into a great act of national commemoration and thanksgiving. The direction of that vast building readily fell into line with his suggestion. Is it too much to hope that the management of our great hotels may in future years be similarly amenable to the feelings of the better class of their patrons—and, I feel sure, of the vast majority of their shareholders and of the public?"

THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING on and after the first Armistice night has recorded its strong dissent against the evening being turned into an "orgy" as its back numbers bear witness.

A meeting has been convened, to be held at Brompton Hospital on December 13th, when the Rev. P. B. Clayton, Founder Padre of Toc H, will address this meeting on the subject of Toc H. The meeting is intended specially for nurses, though others will be welcome.

COMING EVENTS.

December 15th.—The British College of Nurses. Council Meeting. 39, Portland Place, London, W.1. 2 p.m.

December 21st.—General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Monthly Meeting. 20, Portland Place, London, W.1. 2.30 p.m.

December 25th.—Christmas Day.

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