

Inventions, Preparations, &c.

ANTI-ASTHMATIC POWDER (Messrs. S. Kutnow and Co., 66, Holborn Viaduct, E.C.).—This powder is a combination of herbs of various kinds, which are prepared in a special manner for the purpose of burning in the sick room (of course under the directions of the medical attendant), so that the patient may receive benefit by inhalation of the fumes arising therefrom. It should be exceedingly useful in certain cases—bronchitis, catarrh, &c.—as an adjunct to the usual medical treatment. We are not surprised to learn that many Physicians are now prescribing it for their patients. At the last meeting of the British Medical Association it was favourably received by the profession. For the purpose of its being thoroughly tested, the proprietors are offering free samples to medical practitioners and Nurses on application.

"SARSOSA" SOAP (manufactured by the London Drug and Dental Company, Limited, 5, Liverpool Street, E.C.).—This soap is certainly very pleasant and soothing to the skin; it lathers freely, has a very sweet aroma; and, considering the care displayed in its preparation, we can confidently say with the proprietors that it can be used with the greatest safety on the most delicate skin.

THE RED CROSS NIGHT LIGHT (Messrs. Francis Tucker and Co., Limited, Kensington, W.).—This firm has been established over a century and a half, and they have brought that lengthy business experience to bear in the production of a night light, which is in every way satisfactory. They are made of some transparent substance, which does not, like the majority of night lights, yield an unpleasant odour. They are very neatly put up in boxes, are perfectly safe, have the additional advantage of being clean in the burning, and are well described as being the "Nurse's favourite." These night lights obtained a Prize Medal at the Paris Exhibition of 1889, and our readers would do well to give them a trial. They are fitted with, and without, the "Patent Safety Wick Holders." It is claimed for these night lights that they will not become rancid, and will keep good for any length of time; they will burn five, seven, eight, and nine hours. The retail price is fivepence per single box, or four shillings and eightpence per

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dozen; and those which are manufactured for use in glasses, burn five, seven, and nine hours, and are the same price—the glasses being supplied free of charge with every six boxes of them. Those without the glasses are in boxes, containing twelve, to burn six hours; ten, to burn eight hours; and six, to burn ten hours.

EFFERVESCENT CARLSBAD POWDER.—Messrs. S. Kutnow and Co., 66, Holborn Viaduct, E.C., have another most useful preparation, consisting of an Effervescent Carlsbad Powder, which is a pleasant and efficient aperient, possessing all the advantages of the famous salts of that name, combined with other ingredients, so prepared that it may be taken by both children and adults with perfect safety. We note that most of our eminent medical practitioners testify as to its efficiency, and we believe that it is being frequently prescribed by leading members of the profession, to whom the formula is sent if required.

SACKLIN'S POULTICES (Mr. R. H. Cooper, 20, Royal Exchange, London).—These are manufactured from excellent quality linseed meal, in sheets twenty-one inches long by seven and a-half inches broad, two of which would easily make a jacket poultice to go round the chest and back. They are worked out in segments in such a way that portions can be cut off small enough to put round a finger. They require nothing more than having boiling water poured on them. They do not stick, and are retailed from sixpence to one shilling and sixpence each. In Institutions and in private homes where a poultice is required in a very few minutes, these appear to be exactly what is wanted. The makers are to be congratulated upon the results. The linseed meal contains also an antiseptic which enhances the value of the poultices. The same firm manufacture a ready-made Mustard Poultice, for which it is claimed it will not blister the skin, however tender it may be. They may be divided as the former, and only require warm water being poured upon them to be immediately ready for use. These also retail at sixpence and one shilling and sixpence. We find that the mustard used is of unusually good quality, and that a trial of them fully maintains all that has been claimed for them by the makers. Our readers should send stamps and obtain samples.

WEST END TRAINED HOSPITAL NURSES' INSTITUTION, 67, WELBECK STREET, W.—Non-Resident Male and Female Nurses, Attendants, Masseurs, and Masseuses invited to enrol themselves as Members. Fees good. Two-thirds to Nurse; one-third to expenses. No entrance fee. Call upon Medical Superintendent any morning at ten o'clock.

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