

SANITARY AND
HYGIENIC APPLIANCES AT CORK.

DURING the coming week the City of Cork will be *en fete*, on the occasion of the British Medical Association holding its forty-seventh annual meeting there, and its second in this country. The compliment paid this year to "the beautiful citie" is due to the fact that Cork was the first place in Ireland in which a branch from the parent stem sprung up. The proceedings will take place in the Queen's College, and will extend over five days, viz., from the 5th till the 9th inst. The President will be Professor D. C. O'Connor, Cork. On the important subject of Public Health, an address will be delivered by Dr. Andrew Fergus, President of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow and amongst the others who will take part we have Dr B. Kidd and Grimshaw of Dublin; Dr. Andrew Clarke, of the London Hospital, and a host of other professors of the healing art. It is expected that Mr. Isaac Shine, C.E., Mayor of Wrexham, will read a paper descriptive of his new Pneumatic Sewerage System.

The exhibition of sanitary appliances, &c., will be in the new Plant Houses on the College grounds, and will no doubt be attractive features to the great majority of visitors. Owing to the very large number of applications from exhibitors, the committee has been obliged to considerably extend the space by the erection of temporary buildings.

The exhibition will be divided into the following departments —

I.—Drainage, Sanitary Appliances, and Disposal of Refuse.

II.—Water Supply, Filtration, and River Purification.

III.—Food, Clothing, Invalid Furniture, Beds, Disinfection, and Life Saving Apparatus.

IV.—Sanitary Building Appliances, Plans and Models, Ventilation, Heating, Lighting, Cooking, and Consumption of Smoke.

V.—Disposal of the Dead.

VI.—Sanitary Literature.

From the long list before us we print the names of a few firms who will be represented:

—Messrs. Edmundson and Co. will show some of their large burners and other light. house apparatus for which they are well known as patentees; they will also exhibit some of Moule's Earth Closets, &c. Messrs. Maguire and Son will have filters, ventilators, and several matters in connection with sanitation and drainage, which we shall notice hereafter. Messrs. Monsell, Mitchell, and Co. will have a goodly display of stoneware goods, &c. Messrs. Carson and Son will exhibit paints suitable for brick, iron, stone, and every description of out-door work. In the matter of wall papers we are glad to find that Messrs. Woollams of London will have samples of their paper-hangings, which they manufacture entirely free from arsenic or any other substance which might prove injurious to health. Another important item will be Ligny's Patent, by which damp buildings can be dried rapidly and rendered perfectly healthy and habitable

We understand that the Board of Trade have lent a rocket life-saving apparatus; it will be exhibited in action by the coastguard men of the district.

In the matter of sanitary appliances all classes are or should be concerned, for such inventions and improvements bespeak better building, housing, and living, and an improved public health, which concerns us all as individuals. Among the forthcoming exhibits we believe there will be several articles of native manufacture which will favourably compare with imported goods; but it is not our intention in present issue to give details. In our next publication we will furnish some particulars of exhibits that come within the scope of our advocacy; and in the meantime we wish fine weather during the visit, and a little more sunshine than we are at present favoured with.

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