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SIR WILLIAM OSLER. By HARVEY CUSH-ING. (Oxford: University Press. Volumes. London: Milford. Two 37s. 6d. net.)

Sir William Osler achieved the rare distinction of becoming a legendary figure two decades before the time of his death. Criticism, where he was concerned, was suspended, as if by mutual consent, on both sides of the Atlantic. Physicians old and young received his teaching with reverence, and spoke of him as of a seer endowed with supreme gifts of wisdom.

It was all rather strange, even a little mysterious. For Osler was a simple and very kindly man, who pretended to no special knowledge, and exhibited few of the vanities of greatly successful physicians. His outlook on life was not that of a pioneer, certainly not that of a reformer of the iconoclastic type; he enjoyed his success, his work, his teaching, his friends, his gifts as an orator, his Oxford professorship with the keet, boyish enjoyment of a man unspoiled by life's rewards, yet by no means insensible to their value. He trod on few toes; he helped innumerable lame dogs over innumerable stiles; he never refused his sympathy to sorrow or suffering, nor ever faled to encourage young men in their early work, nor ever showed himself careless of the claims of his colleagues or contemporaries. He had a vast respect for the "Old Masters" of his profession, and indeed for those of all professions. But seldom or never, did he fare forth alone to "carry war into the enemy's country."

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FEATURES OF NURSING EXHIBITION.

The 15th annual Hospital, Nursing, and The 15th annual Hospital, Nursing, and Midwifery Exhibition and Conference opened yesterday in the Central Hall, Westminster, and will be continued daily till Friday evening. The exhibition is the largest and most important that has yet been held, and thousands of nurses, hospital officers, and health workers are expected to visit it during the week important concessions in railway the week, important concessions in railway fares having been granted by the railway companies to enable those interested in the exhibition to travel from the provinces.

For the first time, the Ministry of Health

is taking an active interest in the exhibition, and is represented by a poster and health literature display which gives some idea of the Department's propaganda work. Posters having their origin in the United States, Canada, England, &c., are on view, and there is also displayed a wide variety of literature, suggesting methods of preventing and combating various diseases. Among the posters, perhaps the best are "Blinded" and "The Empty Cradle." These are American ideas, and serve to show that English poster art has not yet been utilized to any great extent in health work. An effort is to be made to remedy, this, however, and at next year's exhibition a prize of £50 will be offered for the best health poster.

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To-morrow afternoon a health film display will form one of the features of the exhibition. The films, provided by the Ministry of Health and various health organizations, will include Mr. Wise on Influenza, The Care of the Teeth, Social Hygiene for Women, The Work of the London Hospitals, and The Care of the Body.

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