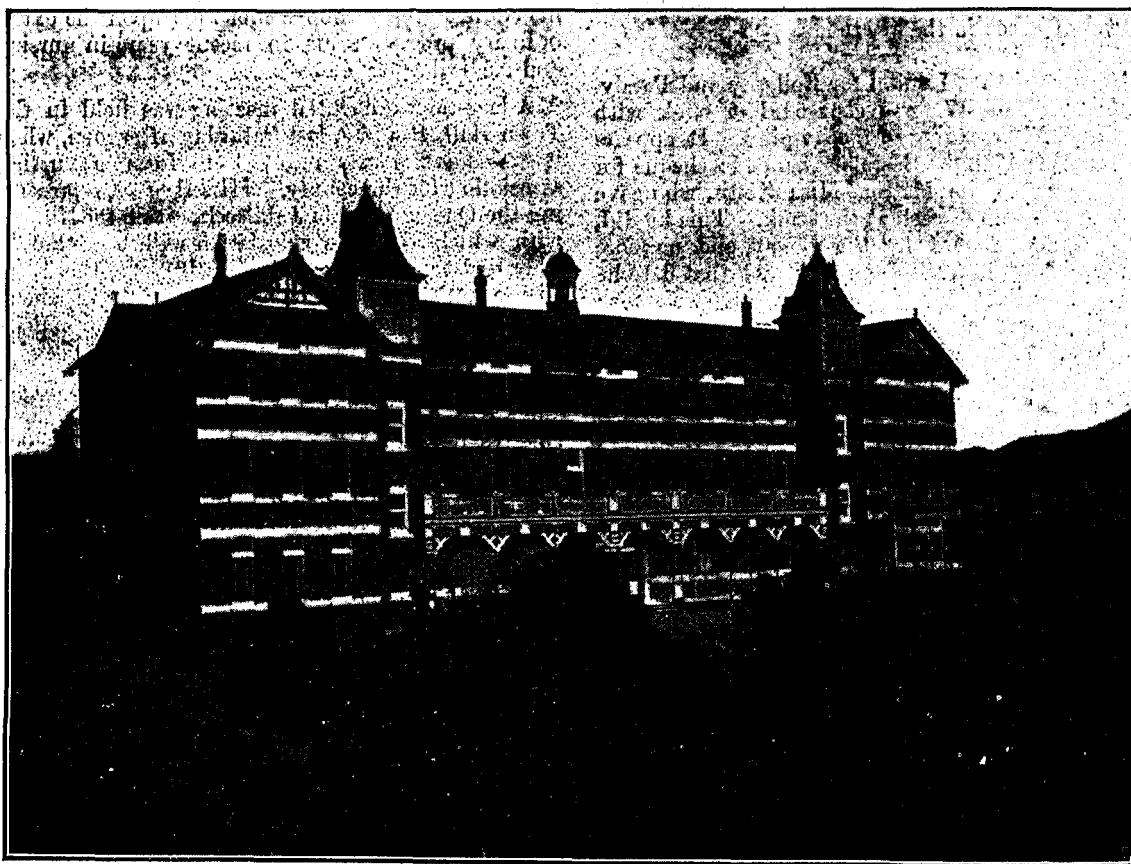


Mr. W. C. Austen, Chairman of the Infirmary at Shirley Warren, Southampton, recently presented medals and certificates of training to nurses connected with the training-school. A large number of Guardians and officials were present, with the Medical Superintendent, Dr. Russell Bencraft, J.P., and the Matron, Miss Dowbiggin.

The Chairman said that it redounded to the credit of the probationers that so much attention had been paid to the instruction received in addition to the ward work. Though the test had been a difficult one, one third-year probationer had obtained

Warren. He bore testimony to the excellent work done in training by the Matron and Assistant Matron, and reminded the nurses assembled of the necessity for discipline. No Matron had been better supported than at that institution; no one had been shown greater loyalty, and if they took his advice they would remember the necessity for discipline all through their lives. Some of them, perhaps, in time would become Matrons themselves, and then they would fully recognise the value of it. He appealed to those who were leaving Shirley Warren to uphold the dignity and honour of the



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95 marks out of 100, and won the silver medal. The winner of the bronze medal had gained 93 marks.

Dr. Bencraft said the results must be a great source of gratification not only to the Matron, Assistant Matron, himself, and the Board, but to the nurses themselves. It showed that not only had they paid attention to the instructor, but also to the practical instruction given them by the Matron within the wards. He felt proud of having such a staff under him - there was at Shirley

Infirmary. A great deal depended on the first batch sent out. He also thanked the staff for their loyalty to himself. The newly certificated nurses are:—Silver medal, Nurse Firth; bronze medal, Nurse Rennie; certificates, Nurses Taylor, Witt, and Lanham.

The quarterly report of the Scottish Branch of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute shows that there are at present in Scotland 253 Queen's Nurses, working under 171 affiliated associa-

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