

was spent. Nearly 300 mothers were present, and there was music, and some good speeches by Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Johnstone and the Vice-Chairman of the Association, Dr. Dixon.

The nurses are very grateful for this help, which is specially valuable coming as it does from the people amongst whom they work. It is hoped that other parishes will follow the example set by St. Paul's, which was the first parish in which the Association began its work 16 years ago with one nurse. Now there are 12 nurses, who are practically nursing the whole of Shoreditch and Bethnal Green.

The Honourable Mrs. Stanley, of Quantock Lodge, Bridgwater, has decided to apply the

hospital Matrons are expressing real anxiety at the adoption by County Nursing Associations of the six and nine months' term of training which is considered sufficient for the nurses they provide for the sick poor in rural districts, and we are glad to learn that they are objecting to admit probationers for these short periods of experience.

Nothing is of greater value to nurses than to be able, when off duty, to rest in congenial and healthful surroundings, and many generations of nurses in Walsall will be grateful to Mr. John Leckie for the charming home which he has placed at the disposal of the Walsall Victoria Nurses Institution, and partly furnished as a



THE BEAUTIFUL NURSING HOME JUST GIVEN TO THE PEOPLE OF WALSALL BY MR. JOHN LECKIE IN MEMORY OF HIS WIFE.

sum of £225, subscribed by the ladies of the town and neighbourhood as a mark of personal esteem, towards starting a Home for Emergency Nurses, in connection with the Somerset County Nursing Association. A house has been taken at Taunton for the purpose, and will be known as "The Bridgwater Home for Nurses." Mrs. Stanley is warmly interested in efficient nursing for the sick poor, so we may hope that well trained and certificated nurses only will be eligible for this emergency staff. Many county

memorial to his wife. By the kind permission of the editor of the *Sunday Companion* we are able to publish the accompanying illustration. The home, besides the sitting-room of Miss Holloway, the Lady Superintendent, the nurses-dining and drawing rooms and the usual offices, contains sleeping accommodation for 12 or 14 nurses, and an isolation room for a sick nurse.

The reason given by Mr. Leckie for deciding on the form that the memorial should take is a

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