

NURSING AND THE WAR.

The following Matrons, Sisters and Staff Nurses had the honour of being received by the King at Buckingham Palace, on Saturday last, when he decorated them with the Royal Red Cross:—

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

FIRST CLASS.

Head Sister—Mildred Hughes, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service.

Sisters—Annie Frank, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service; Mary Ritchie-Thompson, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.

Principal Matron—Clara Alcock, Territorial Force Nursing Service.

Matrons—Gertrude Davies, Territorial Force Nursing Service; Annie Kerslake, Territorial Force Nursing Service; Margaret Priestman, Territorial Force Nursing Service; Amelia Kellett, Australian Army Nursing Service.

Matron-in-Chief—Mabel Thurston, New Zealand Army Nursing Service.

SECOND CLASS.

Sisters—Irene Cave-Brown-Cave, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service Reserve; Hilda Chibnall, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service Reserve; Theodora Macmahon, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.

Territorial Force Nursing Service—Matrons: Elizabeth Simpson, Phoebe Smith.

Assistant Matrons—Ethel Bullock, Mabel Chatlerley, Margaret Crooke, Hilda Kendall, Henrietta Ward.

Sisters—Catherine Anderson, Edith Arrow-smith, Annie Billington, Sarah Cherry, Lucy Clough, Mary Dando, Katherine Daniel, Ellen Devlin, Annie Foley, Florence Gill, Elizabeth Hay, Agnes Maddox, Ethel Pearson, Edith Pemberton, Minnie Poole, Lily Rea, Annie Robinson,

Blanch Spoor, Jane Townsend, Olive Walters, Hannah Wharton.

Staff Nurses—Sarah Cooke, Mary Holt, Fanny Jones, Jean McGuffog, Emma Monteith, Elizabeth Nicholson, Octavia Rose, and Grace Thacker.

Australian Army Nursing Service—Matron Ruby Kidd.

Sisters—Gladys Echlin, Elizabeth Fleming, Ann Hart, Eleanor Jeffries, Jessie Kennedy, Maud McNulty, Clementina Marshall.

Staff Nurses—Margaret Eldridge and Edith Rush.

New Zealand Army Nursing Service—Matrons: Elizabeth Nixon, Fanny Wilson, and Sister Marie Wilkie.



SISTER E. K. THOMPSON,

who has been awarded the Military Medal for bravery in the field. She was wounded on November 10th and has been in France since 1914.

Queen Alexandra received at Marlborough House the Matrons, Sisters and Staff Nurses of the Naval and Military Nursing Services who had been awarded the Royal Red Cross, subsequent to the Investiture at Buckingham Palace.

By the courtesy of the Editor of *The Gentlewoman* we are able to publish our illustrations of Sister Ethel Thompson, of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, and Miss Florence Smith, R. R. C. Sister Thompson has been in France since 1914, and was wounded on November 10th, and has received the coveted Military Medal for bravery in the field. Miss Florence Smith is the Matron of the Third Southern

Hospital Bristol (T.F.); she has been decorated by the King with the Royal Red Cross.

Three of the nurses on the Glasgow and West of Scotland Co-operation of Trained Nurses (16-18, Sardinia Terrace, Glasgow, West)—Nurses Beaton, Lyle and Temple—have received the Royal Red Cross, and others have been mentioned in despatches. In all 80 have been able to take part in war work. This the Executive Committee

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