

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

The King has been graciously pleased to award the Royal Red Cross Decoration to the under-mentioned ladies in recognition of their valuable services in connection with the war:—

BAR TO ROYAL RED CROSS, FIRST CLASS.

Miss A. W. Gill, Lady Superintendent of Nurses, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.

ROYAL RED CROSS, SECOND CLASS

Miss D. Lund, Miss N. McKay, Miss M. R. Chester-Webb, Miss M. Hunt, Miss L. Swift, Miss L. C. Chamberlain, Nursing Sisters, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Reserve; Miss M. Edgar, Head Sister, London Homeopathic Hospital, Great Ormond Street, W.C.; Miss I. Docherty, Matron, General Hospital, Great Yarmouth; Miss E. W. Jones, Matron, Monkstown Hospital, Kingstown; Miss Edwardes, Matron, R.N. Convalescent Hospital, Great Malvern; Miss J. A. Mortlock, Matron, Brooksby Hospital, Leicestershire.

CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

The *Christmas Magazine* of the Queen Alexandra's Hospital for Officers at Highgate dedicated by permission to Queen Alexandra, is beautifully produced, and it is a treat to book-lovers to finger the satin-like paper on which it is printed—especially in these days of shoddy.

Queen Alexandra sends a Christmas message in her own fine writing to the patients "in my Hospital," and to Mr. H. J. Paterson, the Hon. Surgeon-in-Charge, and the members of the medical and nursing staffs, she expresses her "sincere appreciation of their devotion during the past year."

The History of the Hospital for 1918 is one of excellent work, well and quietly done, for the benefit of wounded officers, 874 of whom have been admitted, and on whom 511 operations for their relief have been performed.

Lively articles, verses and excellent illustrations, make a wonderfully bright and amusing magazine which will appeal to everyone connected with the good work the hospital is doing, and will no doubt arouse much public interest. We congratulate the Editor, contributors and publishers, who have combined to produce so delightful a record of "Q.A.H.O.," charmingly situated at Millfield Lane, Highgate.

ROYAL BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

The President, Her Royal Highness Princess Christian, will preside, on January 16th, at the very interesting lecture to be given by Mr. James Berry, F.R.C.S., on "Lands and Peoples of the Lower Danube," fully illustrated by lantern slides, at 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W., at 2.45 p.m.

On January 4th, the members are to enjoy another "Charter" Tea at their Club Room at 10, Orchard Street, W. 3.30 to 6 p.m.

A SINCERE VOTE OF THANKS.

UNFORTUNATELY the real Liberals have suffered for the sins of their Party, and our very kind and generous friend, Major Chapple, has not been returned for Stirling and Clackmannan, so that our Bill will no longer be in his care in the new Parliament. For all he has done for us in the past we offer, in the name of the State Registrationists, sincere thanks, and hope that it will not be long before all his splendid services to the sick and wounded at the Pavilion Hospital, Brighton, may be realised, and we may have him in the House of Commons again to continue his work for the organisation of the Nursing Profession by the State—work he had the courage and intelligence to support in spite of a very interested opposition. We are all State Registrationists now (of sorts), but to those members of Parliament like Major Chapple, who helped us before we convinced the country, and won its support, we nurses owe a very special vote of thanks, and in the name of the members of the organised societies of trained nurses we offer him sincere gratitude and affectionate regard.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

Examination for the Roll of Queen's Nurses.
December 19th, 1918.

1. What do you consider to be the duty of a district nurse in advising a mother with regard to (a) waste of bread and other food; (b) the nutritious feeding of children under present conditions; (c) the weaning of the baby; (d) conditions of damp in walls or ceiling?
2. You are sent for in an emergency to a case of Post Partum Hæmorrhage. The doctor has not yet arrived. What would you do?
3. State how you prepare for operation on a case of empyema in a district, and the methods you would subsequently employ when dressing the case.
4. Give a short account of a district nurse's working hours, mentioning what points should be taken into consideration in arranging the order in which patients should be visited on (a) the morning round; (b) the evening round. Include in your round of visits a case of rheumatic fever, empyema dressing, and hemiplegia, emphasising the order in which you would take them. Mention any other case which would come into the round, without going into details of treatment.
5. What are the causes of pediculi capitis, and how would you deal with a bad case?
6. (a) Give an illustration of the work of a charitable agency with which you are familiar for the relief of poverty and distress? Or,
(b) If you saw a woman feeding her baby of a few months old, out of a very dirty bottle, or on soaked bread or gruel, what arguments would you use to persuade her to do differently, and what advice would you give her as to the future feeding of the baby, up to one year old?

On Christmas Eve Miss Fairley, superintendent of the Queen Victoria Nurses' Home, Johnstone, was presented, on the occasion of her semi-jubilee, with a silver bag, with inscription, and containing a cheque to the amount of £300. Miss Fairley has worked in Johnstone and neighbourhood since 1893.

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