

themselves. We have allowed our unity to be destroyed, and internal friction and jealousies and lust for power have rent our seamless garment.

It is not too late to remedy this bad state of affairs. We must strengthen our unity and present a loyal and defiant front in the face of attack. We must define a strong and independent policy and determine that, whatever the cost, we shall retain our privileges and positions. Our New Year resolution must be that we shall glorify and strengthen the status of Registered Nurses, so that eager young women, who are attracted to the Profession of Nursing, will find a worthwhile field of Service to their fellow-men, and will bless those who carved out such a noble career for them. May the choicest of all good things attend the way of Registered Nurses throughout this year of Grace, 1947.

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### GOOD MORROW.

The Editor wishes to offer her very warm thanks to all those dear old friends who sent her kind greetings at Christmas, for a happy New Year, and for their lovely cards and gifts. She was specially gratified to receive them from all the great Dominions, and U.S.A.—from friends she has not seen for many years.

She wishes to express her hope that the New Year may be one of good fortune for all supporters of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING which she has edited for the past half century.

### NEW YEAR HONOURS, 1947.

His Majesty The King has conferred many New Year Honours upon his subjects; amongst them are the following awards to members of the Nursing Profession:

#### ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER.

M.V.O., Fourth Class.

Miss M. M. Edwards, S.R.N., Organising Secretary, Nursing Recruitment Centre, King Edward Hospital Fund.

#### ROYAL RED CROSS.

#### QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE.

Second Class, A.R.R.C.

Miss S. K. E. Richard, Senior Sister; Miss G. M. Arthur, Nursing Sister; Miss M. Middleton, Head V.A.D. Nursing Member; Miss M. A. Taylor, Head V.A.D. Nursing Member.

#### QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

First Class, R.R.C.

Miss E. M. Mollet, Matron.

Second Class, A.R.R.C.

Sister T. Bows (R.); Senior Sister W. M. Foulds (R.); Sister E. Heritage (R.); Sister R. B. Spencer (R.); Sister L. F. Thompson (R.).

#### TERRITORIAL ARMY NURSING SERVICE

First Class, R.R.C.

Miss F. E. Robinson, Matron.

Second Class, A.R.R.C.

Sister M. Smith.

#### PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

First Class, R.R.C.

Miss A. M. Rodd, Matron.

Second Class, A.R.R.C.

Miss A. Lowrey, Matron; Senior Sister E. M. Church (R.); Senior Sister M. Jopp.

#### INDIAN MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

First Class, R.R.C.

Miss I. M. Minas, Principal Matron; Miss F. M. Ridley, Principal Matron (R.).

Second Class, A.R.R.C.

Miss B. M. Clark, Matron; Miss A. Davis, Principal Matron; Miss E. M. Tobin, Matron.

#### KAISAR-I-HIND GOLD MEDAL.

Miss M. G. McMillan, in charge, Women's Mission Hospital, Ajmer.

#### ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

C.B.E.

Miss E. E. P. MacManus, late Matron, Guy's Hospital, London.

O.B.E.

Miss B. Gebhard, late Matron, Central Middlesex County Hospital.

Miss B. L. Clark, Matron, Wellington Public Hospital, New Zealand.

M.B.E.

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#### VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE IN CANADA.

As we go to press we have received a packet of eight Vocational Guidance Pamphlets published by the Canadian Nurses' Association, to which we shall hope to refer more fully in our next issue.

They describe, with the aid of illustrations, different forms of Nursing Service available to candidates in Canada; and another pamphlet deals with the origin and activities of the Canadian Nurses' Association.

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