

**Nurses of Note.**

**MISS G. A. ROGERS,**

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There is no doubt that women, who are naturally sympathetic, take more interest in personalities than in the causes which these personalities represent. We feel sure that it will give pleasure to the members of the societies which are affiliated to the Provisional Committee of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland, and represented upon it by delegation, to make acquaintance with the Chairman of that Committee, Miss G. A. Rogers, Lady Superintendent of the Leicester Infirmary, whose portrait we print on this page. Miss Rogers has had a long and honourable nursing career, and is one of the most deeply-respected and popular of Matrons.

It was as early as the year 1874 that her connection with the Leicester Infirmary began. In that year she paid a friendly visit to Miss Burt (late of Guy's), who, by desire of the medical staff, was trying to reorganise the system of nursing at that infirmary, and to bring it into conformity with that of King's College Hospital.

The need for educated women to devote themselves

to the work was soon brought home to Miss Rogers, and with that self-sacrifice which has characterised her whole subsequent career, she threw herself into the breach and began her own systematic training under Miss Burt, and from that day to this her splendid work for the Leicester Infirmary has only been interrupted by three and a-half years of missionary nursing in South Africa, the



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maternity training which was taken in 1878 in preparation for that missionary work, and a few months after her return spent as Sister at Guy's Hospital, before taking up the position of Lady Superintendent of the Leicester Infirmary in 1883, with some 200 beds in almost constant use.

The Leicester Infirmary was one of the pioneers in introducing into its wards reformed methods of nursing, and from 1883 until the present date there has been uninterrupted progress, following step by step the fresh departures in medical science and the evolution of the theoretical training of nurses. How much this is owing to Miss Rogers' unfailing energy and purpose perhaps only the hundreds of nurses who have passed through the training-

school can appreciate.

"No one can work under Miss Rogers," says a friend of many years' standing, "without incurring a great responsibility for that privilege. If they have assimilated

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