

on left sleeve, 6 inches down from shoulder to centre of cross and front of arm.

Decorations and medals, and the ribands appertaining thereto, shall be worn in accordance with the official regulations.

It is open to any detachment to procure its uniform anywhere it may please so long as the patterns laid down are adhered to.

At a meeting of the City Branch of the British Red Cross Society, held last week at the Mansion House, under the presidency of the Lady Mayoress, a communication was received from headquarters that the Society adhered to their decision that the uniform of members of the City detachments must be of the official style and pattern. We are not surprised to learn that the Branch adopted a unanimous resolution stating that that decision placed an insuperable obstacle to the progress of its work in the City, as the women in training in Voluntary Aid Detachments were unable to afford the expense of providing a uniform which they would be only required, or permitted, to wear in ordinary circumstances two or three times a year.

We feel sure that many women whose patriotism would lead them to offer their services to their local Voluntary Aid Detachments, will be deterred from so doing by the cost of the uniform.

The Irish Nurses' Association.

A lecture was given by Dr. T. O. Graham to the members of the Irish Nurses' Association at 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, on Tuesday in last week. The subject was "Ear and Nose." Dr. Graham very clearly explained the uses of the different parts, and had models to show the construction. He also told how the middle ear was intimately connected with the control of locomotion, and the effect of over stimulation with regard to vertigo.

Miss Reeves was in the chair, and there was a large attendance. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. Graham at the close of his lecture.

At a special meeting of the Irish Nurses' Association, a Sub-Committee was appointed to collect information for the chapter on Irish Nursing for the third volume of "A History of Nursing." The following members were asked to act on the Sub-Committee:—Miss Butler, Matron, Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital; Miss Cunningham, Matron, Convalescent Home, Stillorgan; Miss Huxley, Matron, Elpis Private Hospital; Miss Kelly, Matron, Steevens Hospital; Miss O'Flynn, Matron, Children's Hospital, Temple Street; Miss

Ramsden, Matron, Rotunda Hospital; Miss Sutton, Matron, St. Vincent's Hospital; Mrs. Kildare Treacy, Matron, City of Dublin Nursing Institute.

The Irish Nurses' Association are to be congratulated on the appointment of this Committee.

American Nursing News.

A delightful dinner to Miss Goodrich was given last week by the Superintendents of New York City, who are united in a Society called the League for Nursing Education. This dinner had been planned for last autumn, when she left Bellevue Hospital for the Inspectorship of Training Schools under the Regents, but for some reason it was postponed until the other day. It was a very pleasant and heart-warming affair, for the motive underlying it was that excellent one, "Don't wait until people are dead to show appreciation of their work."

Miss Nutting was toast-mistress and Miss Wald, of the Nurses' Settlement, who had been Miss Goodrich's first Head Nurse, was very humorous and happy in her remarks.

I was allowed to drag in the Suffrage cause, indeed, Miss Goodrich did so herself as she is most earnestly a convinced believer in the need of political expression for women, who are helping in the "World's Work."

I took that opportunity of inquiring among the Superintendents in how far the impression of the London Hospital Governors is correct as to American nurses being likely to contribute to the Memorial for Miss Nightingale. I found a complete absence of response, and believe those gentlemen are mistaken in their impression. Possibly a few individuals who had personally met Miss Nightingale might wish to contribute, but the position occupied by Mr. Sydney Holland and the other directors of London hospitals, as opposed to all those educational and economic principles we stand for, is too well known for American nurses in general to be inspired to co-operate with them. Then, too, our women have set themselves to a serious task in founding an adequate memorial to Isabel Hampton Robb, and they will probably not think of undertaking more at present.

I do not doubt that the future will see nurses building a memorial to Miss Nightingale, but it will be their own, not something designed to lend a halo to those respectable gentlemen who think themselves the arbiters of nursing affairs.

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