

LADY MINTO'S INDIAN NURSING ASSOCIATION.

The report of the Association is, as usual, beautifully printed and most interesting in the details it gives of the work, especially those embodied in the report of the Chief Lady Superintendent, Mrs. E. Davies. Mrs. Davies is proceeding on leave this year, and the Hon. Secretary, Colonel F. O'Kinealy, writes that the good wishes of the whole Association will accompany Mrs. Davies in her well-earned holiday after her five years' brilliant and untiring work in the cause which she has so much at heart.

Mrs. Davies reports that a continuance of progress may once more be claimed for the Nursing Association. The centres as a whole refer generally to the healthiness of the season as the main reason for any falling off in the number of subscribers, but temporary effects of this kind need raise no apprehension in view of the fact that the demands for the Nursing Sisters from the public at large have become more and more frequent, and thus it is permissible to conclude that their services have been more appreciated, and that the work accomplished by them has been of a satisfactory character. In several instances very high praise of their professional ability has reached the office of the Central Committee.

A forward movement is shown by the inclusion under special subscription rates for Regiments and Firms of all officers on the Staff of

the Arsenal, the composite annual subscription being the same as that for a Regiment of the Indian Army, namely, 50 rupees.

The proposal that the Nursing Staff of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association should be invited to enrol themselves as members of the Indian Voluntary Aid Corps has met with a warm response. All the Nursing Sisters have

expressed their willingness to give their services in time of emergency.

With a view to promote the greater interests of the Association, as well as to benefit the nurses, it has been agreed by the Central Committee to grant a retaining fee of thirty rupees a month to all those who go home to qualify in midwifery; subject, however, to the proviso that their return to India be made within the period of six months; the same privilege is extended to those who take the qualification in India.

Concerning the Punjab Branch Mrs. Davies reports that four new members have joined the local staff—Mrs. Crown and Miss Dalrymple,

trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Mrs. Whiddett, trained in general nursing at the Presidency General Hospital, Calcutta, and in Maternity nursing at the Home for Mothers and Babies, Woolwich; and Miss Butcher, trained at the Crumpsall Infirmary, Manchester.

Miss Smith, of the Baluchistan Branch, who has done extremely good work in that province, has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Punjab Branch, in the place of Mrs. Lewis, resigned.



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