

It had been an especial privilege to him to be there because they were just about to build an institution of that sort in New York and his visit would be of the greatest possible use. He had seen the treatment of surgical tuberculosis in Switzerland, where remarkable results were obtained, and which were thought to be due to the high altitude but it seemed to him the results obtained there were quite as good as those obtained in Switzerland. He expressed his great indebtedness to Sir William Treloar for the opportunity of seeing the institution.

Lady Aberdeen said they would not be happy until they had such a hospital in Ireland.

The whole inspection was most successful, and educative in the highest degree, and the guests returned to London full of enthusiasm.

Let us hope that both Ireland and Scotland will soon find the funds to carry out a Cripples' Hospital on the wonderfully practical and humane lines so successfully employed at Alton.

### QUEEN ALEXANDRA AND RED CROSS WORKERS.

Queen Alexandra on Tuesday last recognised the services rendered by workers of the British Red Cross Society of various grades, in the Balko-Turkish War, by inviting them to Marlborough House, and presenting them with badges granted by the Society. The presentations were made in the garden, on the lawn facing the House, and the Indian canopy was in use. Accompanying Her Majesty were Princess Victoria and the Dowager Empress of Russia, prominent members of the Medical Relief Committee were also present.

The Society despatched to the seat of war ten complete units and four relief parties, with a total personnel of 222, including one Superintending Sister, nine trained women Nurses, and 66 male Nursing Orderlies.

Mrs. Doughty-Wylie, wife of Major C. H. M. Doughty-Wylie, C.M.G., the Medical Director in Turkey, who acted as Superintending Sister throughout the War, at the Red Cross Hospital at Constantinople, received not only the Badge but a beautiful gold watch subscribed for by those who recognised the value of her work. The watch is studded with diamonds, rubies and pearls, the Red Cross being in rubies.

The six Sisters who were able to be present to receive their Badges from Queen Alexandra were Sisters Maude Bullock, F. E. Latham, H. MacCormac, Riley, G. D. Morris, and Rose Bullock.

The Badge is suspended from a bar bearing the words Balkan War 1912-1913. Its centre is a red cross on a white enamel shield, set in a red circle bearing in letters of gold the words British Red Cross Society.

Mrs. Moore, whose husband, a nursing orderly, died of enteric at Constantinople was present to receive his Badge, and was cheered by the gracious words of sympathy addressed to her by Queen Alexandra.

### A TRUE FRIEND TO ALL.

It will be a matter of regretful interest to all the past nurses of the London Temperance Hospital, Hampstead Road, N.W., to learn of the retirement of Sir William J. Collins, M.S., F.R.C.S., after twenty-five years' service. During all this time Sir William Collins has proved himself a true friend to all the Nursing Staff, and has been unceasing in his efforts for their education and welfare.

On the evening of the 28th June, the present members of the Nursing Staff invited Sir William and Lady Collins to a meeting in the Nurses' Dining room.

Lady Collins, a former Sister and also a very old friend of the hospital, was presented with a bouquet of carnations by the Senior Nurse, Miss Helen Gowland, and then a silver bowl, of somewhat quaint design, was handed to Sir William Collins by Sister Dora, as a token of much appreciation for all he had done for the nurses.

The bowl bore the following inscription:—"Presented to Sir William J. Collins by the Members of the Nursing Staff of the London Temperance Hospital as a souvenir of years of pleasant work."

The presentation was preceded by a most telling and appropriate little speech from the Matron, Miss Richardson, to which Sir William replied with his usual readiness, remarking how much pleasure he had found in the many years he had lectured to the nurses, and with what interest he had watched their careers.

During the evening Nurse Marion Seymour, who has distinguished herself by passing first in her three final examinations, was presented by Sir William Collins with the prize, given annually by him, for the highest marks in the surgical practical examination.

Refreshments, followed by general talk, finished up another of the memorable evenings at the London Temperance Hospital.

It was not a final "good-bye," for Sir William Collins, though leaving for The Hague on important work, found time to come to the hospital on Monday morning to be photographed with the Nursing Staff and Resident Medical Officers.

The Rosa Morison House of Recovery, New Barnet, in connection with the New Hospital for Women, Euston Road, was opened on July 7th at 4.30. The Bishop of Stepney conducted a short dedication service.

Guy's Hospital will benefit eventually to the extent of over £60,000 by the will of Mr. Alfred King, of Worthing and Finsbury Square, E.C., who left the reversion of his property to the hospital, subject to his wife's life interest.

The Medical Officer of the Local Government Board for Scotland who went to St. Kilda reports that the epidemic of influenza there is practically over and that before he left the island he satisfied himself that all the patients were convalescent.

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