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

Miss A. Shearer to be Staff Nurse (December 16th, 1913).

#### QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE. TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Rose E. Ashton is appointed to Bamber Bridge; Miss Harriet Buckley, to Dewsbury; Miss Mary E. Griffin, to Bury; Miss Eva M. Owen, to Adlington; Miss Annie Priestnall, to Dewsbury; Miss Euphemia Watt, to Wisbech; Miss Charlotte L. Whyatt, to Chatham.

#### GREEK GRATITUDE TO SCOTTISH NURSES.

At a recent meeting of the managers of Edinburgh Royal Infirmary a letter which had been received from the Greek Minister in London transmitting diplomas and medals conferred by Her Majesty Queen Olga of Greece on the ten nurses who had gone from Edinburgh and served with distinction in Greece during the recent war was read. These nurses were sent out in response to a telegraphic request addressed to Miss Gill, the Lady Superintendent of Nurses by the Queen Mother. Of the total eight had their training in the Royal Infirmary.

The following are the recipients of the honours — Miss M. Lamb, Miss C. Richard, Miss M. M. Kerr, and Miss E. J. Stuart, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh; Miss M. Nicholson, Miss G. MacIntosh, and Miss McKellar, Scottish Co-operation of Trained Nurses, Alva Street; Miss J. Scott, Royal Scottish Nursing Institution; Miss I. Grundman and Miss A. Cameron, Trained Nurses' Association, Rutland Street.

#### PRESENTATION.

The Victoria Home for Nurses, in Saltergate, Chesterfield, is now closed, and the committee, which has carried on the institution since the Diamond Jubilee year of Queen Victoria, will henceforth be known as the Chesterfield District Nursing Association.

Throughout the existence of the Home, Miss Thompson has been the lady superintendent, and to mark her retirement, as well as to show appreciation of her long and valued service, a presentation of a cheque for £102 10s. 6d. was recently made to her, and an eloquent tribute was paid to her abilities and successful management.

Miss Thompson, who is leaving Chesterfield, has also received from the nurses a clock and candlesticks, together with an illuminated address, the meritorious production of Mr. Siddall, a local artist.

#### NURSING ECHOES.

At a meeting of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Service, held at 95, Lancaster Gate, it was reported that £835 had been expended in sending sixteen nurses to India last winter, and a considerable number of nurses will be required in the season 1914-15. It was agreed that a vote of condolence should be sent to His Excellency, Lord Hardinge of Penshurst, on the loss he has sustained in the death of Lady Hardinge, whose invaluable assistance to, and sympathy with, the work of the Association, the Committee fully recognise.

By the kindness of the Editor of *The Gentlewoman* we are able to publish an illustration of the beautiful Badge presented by Queen Alexandra to the members of her Committee, which contributes £2,000 annually to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, at their recent meeting at Marlborough House. The Badge was awarded to those members of the Committee, over 150 in number, who had served upon it for five years, or over. The illustration appears on page 102.

The National Reforms Society held a public meeting in Hampstead Town Hall last week, at which the Bishop of Willesden presided, when a resolution was passed unanimously expressing approval of the provisions in the London County Council (General Powers) Bill for the Registration of Nursing Homes and Maternity Homes, and the opinion that the powers under the Bill would be more effective if administered by a central authority such as the London County Council.

Sir A. Pearce Gould, in moving the resolution, said that his work had for thirty years brought him into connection with nursing homes, and he had a high regard for them and the manner in which they were conducted. But there was evidence in the police courts that there were places that had assumed the guise and adopted the names of nursing homes and massage houses for the purpose of carrying on unnameable practices. The Council Bill had nothing in it hostile to well-conducted homes. The resolution was seconded by Dr. R. F. Horton, and was carried unanimously.

We hear that Miss Fairbank, formerly Superintendent Nurse at Alton Infirmary, has now a very comfortable cottage at Langton Matravers, Dorset, where she will receive nurses on holiday on very moderate terms.

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