

NURSING ECHOES.

When we notified last week that it was proposed to form an International Nursing Corps for Active Service in War, of nurses holding a three years' certificate of training, we did not anticipate that a number of those who filled up the form provided for their use would be at

nurses throughout the United Kingdom, will be with them.

An application form will be found on page vi.

The Hospitals Sub-Committee of the Bolton Board of Guardians recently considered a verbal report from the Medical Officer that the charge nurses at Townley's Hospital had inti-

imated that unless certain grievances were remedied they would tender their resignations. Ten charge nurses subsequently appeared before the S u b - Committee and complained of : (1) insufficiency of probationers and under-staffing for some time; (2) too many patients in charge of one nurse, and inability, therefore, to carry out Medical Officer's instructions; (3) lack of relief nurses for holidays and off-duty periods; (4) inability to get off duty at proper time; (5) want of proper time off for meals, having sometimes to have meals in ward kitchens owing to short staff; (6) that when nurses are with the Medical Officer in the theatre patients cannot get drink and attention; (7) that convalescent patients are required to feed others, contrary to regulations; and

finally (8) they complained about the bathing of patients. The Sub-Committee came to the conclusion that the first seven complaints would be met by the appointment of additional probationers, and the eighth by the appointment of a paid officer for bathing.



"GUY'S" NURSES OFF TO THE FRONT.

Daily Graphic.

A Red Cross detachment left Guy's Hospital on Monday for Belgium, where many British nurses are already hard at work. 1.—Just before the start; Miss L. V. Haughton, the matron, in the centre foreground. 2.—A hearty send-off.

work in Belgium before another issue of the paper was published. Yet so it is. So that when the corps is in working order various applicants for enrolment will have the qualification of having already seen active service. Our good wishes, and the good wishes of

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