

the nurses were admirable nurses, and would get the usual testimonials.

We recently reported the appointment of Miss Helen Scott Hay, a well-known American Nurse Training School Superintendent, as head of a pioneer training school for nurses in Bulgaria, at the instance of Her Majesty the Queen.

The *American Journal of Nursing*, commenting on the appointment, says:—

"Owing to the extreme difficulty in securing an adequate number of trained nurses to care for the sick and wounded during the recent war, the Queen of Bulgaria has become interested in the establishment of a training school for nurses in connection with one of the large hospitals in Sofia. Some time ago she appealed to the wife of the Russian Ambassador for advice and assistance, giving a comprehensive outline of her plan, from which the following is quoted:—

"Her Majesty Queen Eleanora wishes to establish a training school for nurses on the American plan, in the State Alexander Hospital in Sofia. To this end she wishes to have four young Bulgarian women trained in the United States. She would like to find a hospital of good standing where they would be given their training, their board and lodging free. In order, however, to be able to begin the training school now, when interest in nursing has been awakened by the last war, the Queen would

like, if means could be found in America, to engage a superintendent who could begin the work and get it well started while the young women are being trained. At the end of this time the Queen hopes to have demonstrated the ability of the training school, and that the Government will then arrange to have its expenses included in the regular hospital budget."

"Realizing that this was a rare opportunity to introduce our training school methods in Southern Europe, the Red Cross offered to pay the salary of a superintendent during the time required to train the Bulgarian pupils in an American school. A special appropriation was also made for travelling expenses. We were naturally anxious to assign an enrolled Red Cross nurse to this position, and were especially fortunate in securing Helen Scott Hay, who will sail for Bulgaria some time during the summer. Miss Hay is well known to the nurses of America through her activity in the national organizations, but is no less well known as an educator and training-school superintendent. She is a graduate of the North-Western University and the Illinois Training School for Nurses, and for a number of years was superintendent of this school. She has recently returned from a trip around the

world, and is especially well qualified for the work which she is about to undertake.

"The Queen hopes to come to America in September, and will bring with her three care-



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