

THE CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

The High Commissioner for Australia has received from the British Red Cross Society, Sydney, a donation of £5,000 for the purchase and equipment of motor ambulances for use at the front.

This makes a total of £30,000 subscribed by the youngest branch of the Red Cross Society, in which His Excellency the Governor General and Lady Helen Munro Ferguson are taking a very active interest.

Recently the British Ambassador at Petrograd inaugurated the British Convalescent Nursing Home for wounded Russian soldiers provided by donations and monthly subscriptions from the British community. The establishment contains fifty beds, under the superintendence of an English matron and a committee of British residents.

At Versailles, a correspondent writes, the British Hospital stands in the most beautiful grounds, before the gates of which an admiring French crowd assembles every afternoon to gaze on the "braves Anglais," and talk to them through the railings. Those of the men who are well enough sleep in big comfortable marquees in the garden. The reception rooms make fine large wards.

During her visit a lot of English illustrated papers had just been delivered, to the great satisfaction of the men, who, of course, have hardly any visitors, and are very glad to receive any English papers, magazines, or books. Indeed, we hear that in all the hospitals for English wounded in France not only the patients but the nurses are delighted to receive papers from home.

Mme. Grouitch, wife of the late Serbian Minister in London, who is now engaged in nursing the Serbian wounded at the front, has sent the following telegram to Dr. Seton-Watson, Hon. Sec. of the Serbian Relief Fund, 22, Berners Street, W. :—

Heartfelt thanks Serbian Relief Committee for noble sympathy and endeavours. People here deeply touched by coming of British Red Cross and Lady Paget's mission. English nurses I brought are doing noble work here. Received with great joy news of the splendid sums being raised in England for sufferers from war, and we pray that if from their abundance something more can be spared for Serbia that you will send us bedding, blankets, pyjamas, dressing gowns, and slippers for wards, and general hospital stores. Every available building in all the towns near the front has been converted into a hospital, and still wounded must sometimes sleep on floors in corridors and sheds. Surgical supplies running short. Often wounds can only be dressed every third or fourth day for want of bandages and gauze. Surgeons are working 18 hours a day;

nurses and local committee are exhausted from strain.

Nurses wishing to Volunteer for work in Serbia should apply to Dr. Seton-Watson for information, or to St. John Ambulance Association, St. John's Gate, E.C.

FEVER NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Fever Nurses' Association was held on October 5th at the Eastern Hospital, Homerton.

NEW MEMBERS.

Miss Milne Mitchell, Matron of the Cambridge Sanatorium, was elected a member of the Association.

PERIOD OF TRAINING FOR FEVER NURSES.

The following resolution was carried :—" That a notice be sent to all the Fever Nursing Training Schools recognised by the Association, stating that the Association deems it to be most undesirable that nurses in course of General Training should be taken by Fever Hospitals from General Hospitals to gain 'fever experience' for periods less than that which has been laid down by the Association as necessary for obtaining the Association's Certificate, namely, one year."

TUBERCULOSIS NURSES.

The following Resolutions were carried :—

(1) " That Tuberculosis be one of the diseases recognised by the Association for purposes of Fever Training."

(2) " That of the total number of beds required for the recognition of a Hospital as a Training School, the proportion allocated to Tuberculosis shall not be more than twenty per cent."

(3) " That no candidate shall be accepted from such a Hospital for examination for the Association's Certificate who has spent more than one-third of her qualifying period in the Tuberculosis Wards."

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Royal Victoria Nursing Home and Cottage Hospital, South Ascot.—Miss Katherine E. Crow has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, and at the Edinburgh City Fever Hospital; she has been Sister in a nursing home in Edinburgh, and in the Cottage Hospital, South Ascot, for two-and-a-half years.

SISTER.

St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, Plaistow.—Miss Hannah Hope has been appointed Sister. She was trained at St. Helen's Hospital, Lancs.; and has recently been Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Blackburn.

West End Hospital for Diseases of the Nervous System.—Miss Beatrice Giles has been appointed Sister and Teacher of Electricity and Massage. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, London, and is a certificated masseuse. She has also had experience of private nursing.

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