

## JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

## HOME HOSPITALS.

The following nurses have been deputed to duty in Home Hospitals:—

*Beaucroft Red Cross Hospital, Wimborne.*—Miss Nixon.

*Alnwick Castle, Northumberland.*—Miss M. Pike, Miss M. E. Withers, Miss M. T. Sadler.

*Haigh Hall, Wigan.*—Miss K. Rennels, Miss E. McFadden.

*Staffordshire House, Stone Street, W.C.*—Miss G. M. Bennet.

*12, Princes Street, Liverpool.*—Miss J. Bemrose, Miss McGusty.

*West Ham Hospital, Basingstoke.*—Miss Hatton.

*Allan House, Boston, Lincs.*—Miss J. Peyton.

*Shaw-cum-Donnington V.A.D. Hospital, Newbury.*—Miss E. Peacock, Miss M. Parminter.

*Bulstrode Hospital, Gerrard's Cross.*—Miss D. M. Ivers.

*Mary Wardell Hospital, Stanmore.*—Miss McMinn.

*V.A.D. Hospital, Leintwardine.*—Miss E. K. Good.

*St. Mark's Hall, Tunbridge Wells.*—Miss M. Tolley.

*Town Hall Hospital, Stratford-on-Avon.*—Miss F. Jourdain.

*C.o. Lady Normanton, Ringwood, Hants.*—Miss E. Power.

*"Wallacefield," Coombe Lane, Croydon.*—Mrs. Smith.

*Gifford House, Roehampton.*—Miss M. Addison.

*Red Cross Hospital, Barracks, Grantham.*—Miss D. Crimmins.

*St. Leonard's Hospital, Victoria Road, Bedford.*—Miss H. M. S. Thornton.

*Clive Hill Hospital, Downend, nr. Bristol.*—Miss Cadwallader.

*Earl's Colne, Essex.*—Miss K. Ray.

*Little Charlton, East Sutton, Maidstone.*—Miss H. M. Hick.

*Military Hospital, Yarrow.*—Miss Ince.

*Clifton House, Regent's Park, Southampton.*—Miss M. Macdonald.

*18, Cadogan Gardens, S.W.*—Miss G. E. Davies.

*St. John's Hospital, Oatley Manor, Shrewsbury.*—Miss M. H. Lea.

## ABROAD.

The following nurse was sent abroad at a few hours' notice, to replace one who is ill:—

*Hotel Windsor, Dinard.*—Miss K. Parry.

It is probable the Brigade Hospital of 500 beds will be sent to Boulogne; it is to fly the old flag of St. John of Jerusalem. The nursing staff has been selected, and a large contingent of V.A.D. orderlies are also to be employed, one from each county, two from Canada, and two from India. Let us hope these workers will be definitely placed as probationers under trained supervision, so that there will be no ambiguity about their duties. Mrs. Arthur James has given £800 for the linen, and another friend £15 for hot-water bottles for this "very own" hospital of the Order.

Two of the four Red Cross Hospitals in the Rennes region have been closed, and the nursing staff have returned home, much to their sorrow. The Mocha Hospital has been removed from the convent and placed in the Bristol Hotel at St. Malo, and the hospital at Trequier, Côte du Nord, is also to remain open for a time. Writing from this hospital, Dr. C. Collingwood Fenwick says:—"We are all doing what I believe to be God's duty out here. Certainly there is jolly little pleasure, and no comfort. I feel for the trained women more than for us men. They have all developed 'feet' twice the size they had when they came over, swollen and blue with the great cold and wet, and yet they go on cheerfully. To me it is marvellous. . . . It is amusing treating these French soldiers. There is no trouble about operating on them; in fact, there is great jealousy if one man is "sent to sleep"—*i.e.*, has chloroform—and the next man does not require it. The most precious possession is the bullet or shrapnel after I have cut it out. They prize these things more than money, and hide them in all sorts of places to avoid losing them. (Note this, nurses who accept souvenirs from wounded patients.—Ed.) There is any amount of typhoid here, and we have 200 beds set aside for general sickness, rheumatism, frost-bitten feet, gastritis, &c."

In reporting the closing of these hospitals in France, Sir Maurice de Bunsen reported to the Ladies' Committee of the Order of St. John that the French doctors had said the doctors might go, "but please leave us the English nurses."

The Church collection for the work of the Joint War Committee amounts to £72,000.

It is proposed by the War Office to provide 50 more hospitals for the wounded, containing 1,000 beds each, and nurses and orderlies are to be encouraged to remain at home, so as to be available for our own wounded troops in the spring. This sounds ominous.

Miss Davies is still engaging Sisters and Nurses for the new King George Hospital, and has had some difficulty in obtaining a sufficient supply of the thoroughly efficient women required.

In this hospital there are fine spacious day rooms, in which such of the wounded as can leave their beds will spend a considerable part of their time. They are to be most comfortably furnished as club-rooms, with writing tables, easy chairs and couches, books, magazines, and games. It costs £250 to furnish each room, and already Lady Wernher has offered to furnish two.

## A NOBLE MISSION.

Mr. Ian Malcolm, M.P., is among those who are doing splendid work in tracing the dead, the wounded and the missing in Northern France. So many people are quite unable to obtain any reliable information, and it is the greatest possible comfort to those bereaved or in deadly anxiety to have some confirmation, even if it may only be of their worst fears.

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