

### NURSING AND THE WAR.

It is notified by the War Office that nurses holding certificates for three years' training, who are desirous of being employed in military hospitals, should apply in writing, without delay, to the Matron-in-Chief, Q.A.I.M.N.S., War Office, for conditions of service.

Sir Alfred Keogh, the Director-General of the Army Medical Service, has written to the British Red Cross Society, stating that members of Voluntary Aid Detachments holding home nursing and first aid certificates, can be employed in military hospitals under certain conditions. They will be required to work under fully-trained nurses, and will be under the direct control of the Officer-in-

a salary (of probably £20 per annum), with allowances for board, washing and uniform.

It seems that the prospect of working in a subordinate position, under military discipline, is not attractive to many of those who have been working as free lances; and *The Red Cross* reminds ladies who are hesitating on account of the twelve months' condition—many filling in periods such as three months and six months—that “this is a question of patriotism; they are now privileged to make a serious personal sacrifice.” It is further notified that “the War Office consider it undesirable that ladies who have held the posts of Commandants or Quarter Masters should be detailed for the subordinate duties which will fall to the V.A.D. members employed as proposed.”

At the Annual Court of Governors of the Royal



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MATRON OF HERTFORD BRITISH HOSPITAL, PARIS, AND PATIENTS CROWDING ROUND  
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Charge and the Matron of the hospital in which they are employed; they will have to live in quarters provided for the nursing staff of the military hospitals under the control and supervision of the Matron, and will be required to adhere strictly to the time table in force in military hospitals and the Regulations and Standing Orders for Q.A.I.M.N.S. After a month's probation, if recommended by the Matron for further service, they will be required to sign an agreement to serve for *one year*, or the duration of the War. The engagements of these V.A.D. members will be terminated at any time if they are found unfit in any respect for service. Candidates, who must be British subjects of British birth, will receive

Sussex County Hospital, the Committee of Management reported that the hospital was among the first to respond to the appeal of the War Office in the matter of military nursing, and the Territorial Nursing Association of the south-eastern district was the first in the Kingdom to have its staff complete. A large number of the nurses of the hospital, past and present, were enrolled on the books of that Association, while many others gave in their names for service abroad. All these were mobilized after the outbreak of hostilities, and the hospital has provided for the service of the country in its hour of need no less than sixty-five highly qualified certificated nurses, of

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