

JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

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

Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester.—Miss Jessie R. Johnston.

V.A.D. Hospital, Ochbrook, W. Derby.—Miss A. A. Hannon.

St. John's Hospital, Abbeydale, near Sheffield.—Miss E. E. Sharpe.

Highclere Castle, Newbury.—Miss Ellen Young.
Kempston Hospital, 3, Granville Road, Eastbourne.—Miss Lydia Arnot.

The Hospital, Hornsea, Yorkshire.—Miss F. Joseph.

Red Cross Hospital, Louth, Lincs.—Miss K. O'Neill.

V.A.D. Hospital, Clitheroe, Lancs.—Miss R. Chadwick.

Durham V.A.D. Hospital, Brancepeth Castle, Brancepeth.—Miss E. Gallop.

V.A.D. Hospital, West Hartlepool.—Miss M. Nicoll.

Newton Park, near Bristol.—Miss A. R. Littlewood.

Loversal Auxiliary Hospital, Doncaster.—Miss J. S. Holmes.

Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester.—Miss M. Sykes, Miss M. F. Allan, Miss G. J. Smith, Miss G. M. Aldridge.

St. Matthew's Hall, St. Mary's Road, Willesden.—Miss M. Pittaway.

V.A.D. Hospital, Arnot Hill, Daybrook, Notts.—Miss D. Windley.

Catnal V.A.D. Hospital, Whixley, York.—Miss Cattle.

Temporary Hospital, Exeter.—Miss I. Gooch.

Hospital for Sick and Wounded, Christchurch, Hants.—Miss Cockburn Hughes.

Spalding Hall, Victoria Road, Hendon.—Miss A. M. Stevens.

Thorncombe Military Hospital, Bramley, Surrey.—Miss B. A. Hope.

Western House, Odiham, Hants.—Miss K. M. Manning.

V.A.D. Hospital, Drill Hall, Ripon.—Miss H. Duffy.

Norfolk War Hospital, Norwich.—Miss J. Wishart.

Hill Hospital, Lower Bourne, Farnham, Surrey.—Mrs. A. M. Gedge.

7, Charles Street, Mayfair.—Miss E. C. Wilson.

Red Cross Hospital, Saffron Walden.—Miss A. W. Stol.

Red Cross Hospital, Netley Abbey.—Miss P. Jones.

Norfolk War Hospital, Norwich.—Miss D. Vicary, Miss F. Cogan, Miss C. Robinette.

V.A.D. Hospital, Mortimer, Bucks.—Miss C. A. Lawson.

Red Cross Hospital, Arcley Kings, Stourport.—Miss A. Gregory.

Seven large Poor Law infirmaries in London and many in the country are to be utilized for the wounded.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

The Continuous Sponge.

Writing, in the *Modern Hospital*, of the Washington County Hospital, Iowa, Miss Finlay has something to say of the continuous sponge in use there. She says:—

"The continuous sponge—first introduced by Dr. H. S. Crossen of St. Louis—is used, and no loose or separate sponges are allowed in the operating room while any of the body cavities are open. This sponge was used for three years



METHOD OF FOLDING THE CONTINUOUS SPONGE.

in the City Hospital, and has now been used for two and one-half years in the County Hospital. This procedure marks such a distinct advance in operating room technic that we cannot too strongly urge its general adoption. The technic of handling the continuous sponge is easily acquired, its use permits just as rapid work, it cuts out the human equation, eliminates the possibility of error in sponge count, lessens by one or two the nurses needed in the room, renders absolutely impossible the leaving of a sponge in the wound, and is an infallible preventive of malpractice litigation. The sponge for "sponging" is made from a strip of gauze ten yards long and eighteen inches wide, folded into a strip three inches wide. The sponge for "packs" is five yards long and thirty-six inches wide, folded into a strip six inches wide. These long strips are sewed into the bottom of proper sized bags

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