

Hospital, as well as Acting Matron on Active Service in Samoa.

The other members of the present contingent are the Misses Elizabeth Nixon, Annie Buckley, Fanny Speedy, Isabella Scott, Kate Wright, Frances Price, Edna Pengelly, May Chatwin, Kathleen Davies, Emily Curtis, Janet Moore, Rose Fanning, Jean Cormick, Carrie Young, Ivy Foote, Matilda Fricker, Cora Anderson, Isla Stewart, Alice Searell, Theresa Butler, Edith Harris, Agnes Williams, Kate Barnitt, Grace Calder, Mary Sutherland, Mary Macbeth, Florence Siddells, Emma Harris, Ethel Taylor, Jane Miller, Margaret Sampson, Jean Ingram, Mabel Crooke, Marie Wilkie, Ina Bennett, Christina Lowe, Louisa Bird, Louisa Dodds, Maud Mitchell, Emily Nutsey, Elizabeth Smailes, Christina Gibbon, Eva Livesey, Alicia Ingles, Sarah Clark, Daphne Commons, and Lily Burke.

The contingent was entertained at tea by the High Commissioner, the Hon. Thos Mackenzie, on the afternoon after its arrival in London. The function took place at the Westminster Palace Hotel, and was of an informal character. Mrs. Mackenzie and other ladies were present.

After tea was over the nurses were assembled at the end of the large hall and a flashlight photograph taken with the High Commissioner seated in the midst.

Mr. Mackenzie then addressed the contingent, and in a most feeling and eloquent speech welcomed them to London and wished them success in their future work among the sick and wounded. Miss Maclean, the Matron-in-Chief, replied in a few words, expressing the appreciation of the nurses of the great honour and privilege which was theirs of being able to serve their country, and spoke of the large number of New Zealand nurses who had volunteered for service.

On Friday morning the contingent was invited by the High Commissioner to a party to Hampton Court and Kew Gardens, and on Saturday spent a most enjoyable day on the Thames admiring the lovely flowers and trees. A cold luncheon was served at Hampton which was much enjoyed

after the river trip, and the nurses were then conducted through the grounds and to Bushey Park to see the wonderful avenue of chestnuts in full bloom.

The party then rejoined the steamer, and went to Kew by water, a most enjoyable trip. The beautiful azaleas and rhododendrons in full bloom, and the glades of blue wild hyacinths beneath the trees were a revelation to the eyes of the visitors. After tea on the lawn the train was caught back to town.

On Monday afternoon, Empire Day, the contingent attended the service at Westminster Abbey, and had tea afterwards at the invitation of the Empire Patriots, and on Wednesday were conducted through the Houses of Parliament. If still in town when Parliament reassembles the nurses are invited to tea on the Terrace.

During the week it is hoped to visit the Tower of London, and in the meantime every moment is being utilised to visit hospitals and other places of interest.

On Sunday a party of nurses visited the wounded New Zealanders at Birmingham.

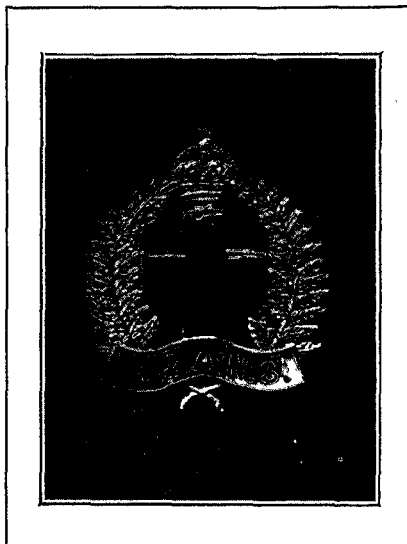
The contingent are under orders for Egypt, and as they have received instructions to provide themselves with full kit it seems probable that they may be under canvas.

Miss Maclean proposes to accompany the contingent to Egypt, and then to return to this country to receive, and make the necessary arrangements for, the thirty-one additional members of the Service who sailed from Wellington on the 22nd ult.

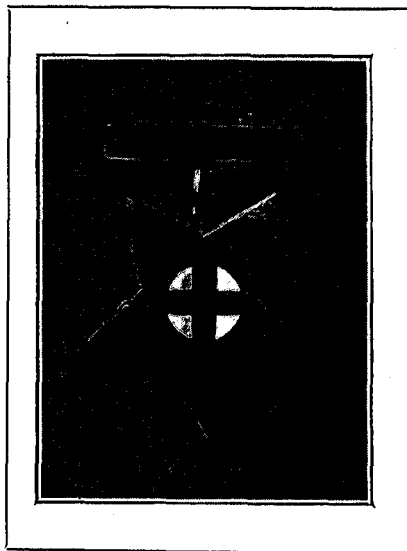
We have been asked to make it known that the National Union of Trained Nurses, 39, Great Smith Street, S.W., would be glad to hear from nurses requiring posts, either in civil or military hospitals, as there are many vacancies which the Union has been asked to fill.

#### CANADIAN NURSES FOR BELGIUM.

A party of volunteer Canadian nurses, to the number of twenty-two, in charge of Miss Mary Evans, spent part of last week in London on their



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