

There is a pleasant side to reservation nursing, for apart from the satisfaction one gets from trying to better the lot of another, she is sure to find agreeable friends and associates in other branches of the Service who, like herself, are striving for the general uplift of mankind. Then, too, she will find that, instead of the savage, bloodthirsty creature that the newspapers paint, the Indian is most amenable to reason and kindly disposed when once you win his confidence. She will learn that not all reservation Indians are savages and that not all savages are confined on Indian reservations.

I fully realize that it is a long step from our present reservation system to citizenship in its highest sense, and yet I feel that if our Indian boys and girls, whose lives are all before them, can once be gotten to catch up the glorious inspirations of this country and age in which they are living, and then be allowed to develop their powers to the highest degree possible through contact with the varied working forces of this greatest of republics, with a share in its duties, and at least a foreigner's chance to use its opportunities, there will be no Indian problem, for the Indian will himself take care of the conditions that to-day make him diseased and dependent.

In conclusion, let me beg of you to use your influence, however small, to rid the Indian of his present thralldom and make him a part of the nation. In striving towards this end you may fall short of your aims, or even fail absolutely, but there still remains the satisfaction of knowing that no honest, earnest effort to accomplish a worthy purpose is ever quite lost.

## NURSING AND THE WAR.

Fifty-one nurses on the staff of the Metropolitan Asylums Board have joined the Military Nursing Service, according to a report issued by the Board.

A country house at Hadley Wood has been placed at the disposal of Princess Christian and is to be used as a Home of Rest for Military and Naval Nurses who are on leave either from the front or from English hospitals. It will be known as "The Princess Christian Home of Rest for Military and Naval Nurses."



MISS SUSIE McINTOSH, R.R.C.,  
MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.

The continuity of the work at the American Women's War Hospital at Paignton will not be in any way interrupted by the decision of the American Red Cross to withdraw the nursing units they have supplied to all the belligerent countries since the beginning of the war. Two of these units have worked at Paignton for many months, and, immediately on receiving an official intimation of their withdrawal, the American Women's War Relief Fund took the necessary steps with regard to their hospital. An American chief surgeon has been appointed, and, as heretofore, the staff will comprise both English and American Sisters.

Miss Susie McIntosh, of Foss, Pitlochry, whose portrait we publish on this page, has had the honour of being mentioned in despatches, and of being awarded the Order of the Royal Red Cross by His Majesty the King. She received her training at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh; and served with the Greek Army during the last Balkan War, for which she was decorated. On the outbreak of war, she volunteered for service, was accepted, and has been serving abroad since August last. The Greek decoration given her is shown in our illustration.

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