

as one of the delegates of the New Zealand Council. We all remember her as a lady of great charm; and this intimation of her death so soon after her happy marriage, will be received by a wide circle of friends with sincere sorrow.

TWO WAR HEROINES.

Signora Maria Abbriani has been awarded a medal by the King of Italy for leading a bayonet attack by Bersaglieri on the village of Mori in the Trentino, and Mme. Daure, a farmer's wife, has been mentioned in a French Army Order for rescuing wounded under fire and remaining with them during the bombardment of the farm.

NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

The Report of the National Union of Trained Nurses for 1915, in its distinctive green and white cover, tells of much good work done during the past year. A voluntary register of nurses free to help, either in nursing the wounded, or to fill the gaps left by those called up, was formed at the beginning of the war.

Our readers will be glad to know that the poster recently noticed in this Journal, showing the great disease-carrier, the fly, on its inglorious career from filth to food, is now published as a postcard, price 2s. for 50, post free. Those who wish to embark on sanitary propaganda can obtain it from the N.U.T.N., 39, Great Smith Street, S.W.

NURSING ECHOES.

The Bishop of London last week dedicated at the Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, E., a cot as a memorial of some of those who have given their lives for their country. Many mothers, wives, and children who have lost dear ones in the war assisted in providing the endowment.

The Catholic Nurses' Institute, Lambeth Road, S.E., which has been established in South London for over twenty years, is doing very good work amongst the sick poor in the Cathedral parish and the various missions of the Borough, Melior Street, Bermondsey, and Peckham. Last year 12,000 visits were made to cases; eighty-eight patients were nursed, of whom thirty-nine were non-Catholics, in the hospital. The Institute hopes before long to build a permanent Catholic hospital for South London.

Major Chapple, M.P., M.D., who is in charge of the Nurses' Registration Bill, and who is at present serving at the Front, has been invited to become a Vice-President of the Asylum Workers' Association, whose interests have

been well considered in the Bill, although they have not taken an active part, as in our opinion they should do, in supporting this special form of legislation.

Dr. Turner, London, has reported to the Southwark Guardians on his examination of the Nurses at the Infirmary, East Dulwich Grove. Dr. Turner stated that there were 25 candidates, all of whom reached the pass standard. Generally speaking, a high standard was shown, both in the paper and at the viva voce examination. "Those whom I have marked as very good," added Dr. Turner, "showed a high standard of excellence, and I should especially like to mention Nurse Sunderland, who headed the list." The Guardians have expressed themselves satisfied with the result of the examination.

The new Nurses' Hostel attached to the Durham County Hospital, which was recently opened by the Earl of Durham, is greatly appreciated by the Matron and the Nursing Staff, who are no doubt grateful to Miss Margaret Brown, of Gilesgate, Durham, for her generous donation of £1,400, which encouraged others to support the scheme. Lord Durham had many kind things to say of the nursing profession in his opening address. He knew well, he said, the work that nurses in the country were doing for them at the present time. During the last ten months they had had experience of the noble efforts women were making, and certainly the nursing fraternity deserved their most grateful thanks. In fact, they could not do too much for them, as they did so much for others in sickness. He expressed the hope that for a very long time to come the Hostel might be of very great benefit and utility to the nurses at the hospital.

Towards the cost of a beautiful new piano for St. Luke's Ward, North Ormesby Hospital, Middlesbro', the patients collected the splendid sum of £12, a very practical way of expressing their gratitude for the care and attention given them. The Sister-in-Charge of the hospital and Nurse Eckersley desire to very sincerely thank the patients, past and present, and their friends, for their generous gifts.

The 17th annual report and balance-sheet of the Melbourne Nursing Club, affiliated to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute, has just been issued. The report calls attention to the increased work that has been excellently done by Nurse Moore (Queen's nurse), work that is none

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