

2-8 p.m. Demonstrations will be given at intervals during the two days.

The hospital train, built to the order of the War Office at a cost of £13,000 by the London & North Western Railway, which was on view at Euston Station on Thursday and Friday last week, when £323 was raised from payment of entrance tickets, and collections, for providing comforts for the railway troops serving with the expeditionary force, is the largest yet constructed. It is 925 ft. long, and consists of 16 coaches, the last being designed for 6 infectious cases. There is through communication. Most of the ward cars contain 36 cots, and in those for convalescents the upper cots (which are in tiers of three) can be fastened right back, the lowest forming comfortable settees. The mattresses are filled with wood wool. Emergency stretchers also can be made of the cots so that patients can be carried ashore on them. There is, of course, an operating room, in which both floor and table are covered with zinc. There is also a pharmacy car, and provision for medical stores and pack stores. The quarters for the staff are very well designed, and include a consulting room. The train will be run down to the port from which it starts, and then removed to the ship by means of cranes. The L.N.W.R. are greatly to be congratulated on this latest addition to hospital trains. On Tuesday the train was on view at Cannon Street Station, and inspected by the Lord Mayor.

We regret to record the death of Dr. Edmund Owen, F.R.C.S., Surgeon-in-Chief of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, and Consulting Surgeon to St. Mary's Hospital, which took place on July 23rd, after a ten days' illness, from a sudden attack of paralysis, during which he never recovered consciousness. His end was probably hastened by his arduous work during the war.

The ward given by British residents and visitors in Rome for Italian wounded was opened on the 21st inst. The ward, which is in the Hospital Addolorata, next to the hospital of the Convent of "Blue Nuns," contains 35 beds, but others may be added. Every kind of equipment has been provided.

The "grands blessés" (says the *Observer's* Paris correspondent) is the touching name given to those who have lost arms or legs in the war. They are not forgotten these days. One is specially tender towards them. And their gaiety and high courage are a reproach to the civilian croakers. The sight of these brave fellows who have suffered physically from the war, who must in future lead diminished existences, is extraordinarily comforting and uplifting. Their laughter and practical jokes, the gaiety with which they race one another in the wider streets is an admirable example of the unquenchable spirit which is going to conclude this war on the note of triumph in spite of every difficulty.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRON.

**Canning Town Women's Settlement Hospital, Plaistow, E.**—Miss Rose Bland has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Grimsby and District Hospital, and has been Sister at the County Hospital, Colchester, at the Batley and District Hospital, and at the Southport Infirmary, Night Sister at the Manchester Hospital for Women and Children, and Assistant Matron at Bolton Infirmary.

**The Military Hospital, Richmond, Surrey.**—Miss Gertrude Fletcher has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, N.S.W., and has had a varied experience, including that of active service during the South African War, Matron of the American Women's Hospital, Paignton, and Assistant Matron at the Norfolk War Hospital. She has therefore had admirable experience to qualify her for her present post.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**Norfolk War Hospital, Thorpe, Norwich.**—Miss Louise Hotine has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was recently a Sister at the American Women's Hospital, Paignton.

**St. George's Infirmary, Raine Street, E.**—Miss F. E. Morgan has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Birmingham and Paddington Infirmaries, and has since been Staff Nurse, Surgical Ward Sister, Temporary Maternity Sister, and Temporary Night Sister at St. George's Infirmary. She is a certified midwife.

### SISTER.

**L'Hopital Temporaire, Arc-en-Barrois, France.**—Miss Amy Phipps has been appointed Sister. She was trained at George's Infirmary, Raine Street, E.; and has since been Staff-Nurse at the Hostel, Clapham Common; Ward Sister at George's Infirmary, E.; and Night Sister at Wildernes Military Hospital, Sevenoaks. She also holds the certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute, of which she is an Associate; and the Sick Cookery certificate of the Food and Cookery Association. Miss Phipps is still on the staff of George's Infirmary, having been given leave of absence for war-service.

## EXAMINATIONS.

### ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL.

The Final Examinations for the Nurses in Medical and Surgical Nursing has lately been concluded. It was conducted by Dr. Grainger Stewart, M.D., F.R.C.P., and Mr. Russell Howard, M.S., F.R.C.S. The Butler Prize was awarded to Nurse M. G. Trembath, and Nurse L. Henley, who were equal.

The following is the List of nurses who entered for the examination, all of whom passed:—Nurses Trembath, Henley, Gasston, Campbell, Clark, Marsh, Hibbert, Ensor, O'Rorke, Jordon, Tuckmott, Falla, Blakesley, Graham.

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