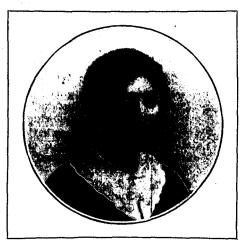
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of the Austrians, will be glad to know that news has come to hand from her that she is receiving excellent treatment from them. Since the beginning of October there has been no news of her, and much anxiety had been felt for her safety. Her postcard is dated January 6th and bears the postmark of the Austrian Censor.

Mrs. James T. Hunter, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Scottish Women's Hospitals, recently gave an interesting account of the work of these hospitals in Serbia. In the recent invasion of Serbia they shared in the debacle, and were completely overwhelmed. Forty-eight of the members got away safely, but the members of nearly two units, medical women, nurses, and orderlies, were taken prisoners of war. Every effort was being made, said Mrs. Hunter, to obtain their release at an early date.

Nurse Bailey, a nurse at the Lambeth Infirmary,



MISS ANNIE HUTCHINSON.

and Mr. W. C. Burrows, the workhouse organist, who have been mentioned in despatches, are to have a message of congratulations from the Lambeth Guardians.

Mr. Andrew Fisher, the new High Commissioner for Australia, and Mrs. Fisher on Saturday visited the Third London General Hospital at Wandsworth where a number of the Australian wounded are under treatment. Mr. Fisher visited all the wards, and spoke to every Australian in the building. Colonel Bruce Porter and Miss Holden, the Matron, showed him round, and he quite won the hearts of the nurses by his kind interest in the patients.

Mr. W. B. Guthery, President of the Northumberland and Durham Branch of the National Poor Law Officers' Association, Workhouse Master, Tynemouth, in his Presidential Address at the eighth Annual Meeting, said that many young ladies had taken up military nursing, and after the war applications might be received from many of them for training as probationers. That Association ought to keep in view the undesirability of allowing them to gain a footing in their infirmaries as qualified nurses without a certificate of probation. Some acknowledgement of the experience they had gained might be made, but the good of the Service in general must be safeguarded. He would advise all those who had gone in for this work not to be satisfied until they had gained a three years' certificate.

Sister Cameron, of the Maternity Hospital, Castle Terrace, Aberdeen, who left last year with a party of Scottish nurses for service in Serbia, is now reported to be a prisoner of war in that country. She is also, we regret to learn, in hospital, seriously ill.

The Dutch ambulance for Russia is expected



MRS. ELIZABETH ARMSTRONG.

WOMEN'S MATERNITY UNIT FOR RUSSIA.

to leave the Netherlands at the end of March with 20 nurses and five doctors. Dr. Westerman, of Amsterdam, and Dr. Koch, of Groningen, two well-known surgeons, are expected to join the ambulance.

"A tired nurse's mother" writes to a contemporary in reference to its suggestion that all munition workers should have one day's rest in seven, "may I plead on the same lines the case of our hospital nurses? I suppose there is no class of women who work harder than our nurses, or who for such continuous and exhausting work are paid less. Their physical, mental, and nervous energy is constantly taxed to the verge of giving way, and all for want of the seventh day's rest. It is impossible for them to give patients their best under such conditions. I know it would mean an extra number of nurses on the staff, but I feel sure the results would justify the extra expense."



