

NURSING AND THE WAR.

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

The following Sisters had the honour of being received by the King at Buckingham Palace, when His Majesty decorated them with the Royal Red Cross (second class) on Saturday last.

Mrs. Stevenson, Sister, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

Miss Elsie Evans, Sister, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

Our illustration shows Sister Stevenson, with her Royal Red Cross, showing the decoration to a friend on leaving Buckingham Palace.

A carved oak reredos and a brass tablet are to be erected in Holy Trinity Church, Heigham, Norfolk, in memory of the martyred nurse Edith Cavell, whose family were connected with that church.

The following staff have left England to work for the Serbian Relief Fund:—

On April 28th, for the S.R.F. Hospital, in Corfu: Dr. W. E. Haigh, Surgeon; Miss Skertchley, Trained Nurse.

On May 4th, for a hospital in Bastia, Corsica: Miss Bunyan, Trained Nurse; Miss Bourne, Nurse Orderly.

On May 8th, for the S.R.F. Hospital, in Corfu: Miss Atkinson, Miss Caldwell, Miss Llyn Jones, Miss Mann, Miss McGregor, Trained Nurses.

A party of nurses from the Third Northern General Hospital left Sheffield for Southampton on May 15th. They are to staff a Welsh Hospital in the East under Colonel Sheen. Miss A. L. Earle, who has been Matron at the Third Northern Hospital, Ecclesall Road, ever since the war started, is going as Matron of the new hospital, with Miss Connell, a sister of Colonel Connell, as Assistant Matron, and Sisters Bertha Brown, C. Brown, Brook, Bevington, Charles, Fieldhouse, Forbes, Hunstone, Mackintosh, Peach, Proudlove, Swift, Tait, and Widdowson. Six of these ladies,

Misses B. Brown, C. Brown, Hunstone, Peach, Proudlove, and Widdowson, were trained at Sheffield Royal Hospital. Misses Hunstone and Peach, who were on reserve in Sheffield, have been in Birmingham several months. Miss Bertha Brown was called from Sheffield to serve on a hospital ship, and afterwards moved to Leicester.

Miss Earle is being succeeded at the Base Hospital by Miss A. Stevenson, a Derbyshire lady, who was trained in the Sheffield Royal Hospital. Five years ago she went to the Hartlepoons Hospital, where she was Matron at the time of the bombardment in December, 1914.

Sister E. de Merrall is the only Danish member of the Canadian Army Medical Corps. Having been trained as a nurse and masseuse in Denmark, she went to Canada and built her own hospital for nerve cases, which she ran with marked

success for five years. At the outbreak of war she sold her interest in the institution, and now helps to deal with over one hundred war patients a week.

Several months ago a wounded sergeant was brought to a military hospital in Paris. He was frightfully disfigured on one side of the face and had lost one eye. He was attended by a Nurse Rousstan, who never allowed him to see or learn of his disfigure-

ment until he was cured a week ago.

Recently the sergeant and nurse were married in a Paris church. Sergeant Antoine, the bridegroom, wears the Military Medal and Military Cross.

The Australian Trained Nurses' Association has contributed upwards of £800 to the National Fund for the Belgians. This is a splendid record of generosity.

The 4th Southern General Hospital, Plymouth, has just issued a *Gazette*, and in this first issue appear admirable portraits of "The Administrator," Lieut.-Col. H. H. Webber, M.D., M.S., R.A.M.C., and of the Principal Matron, Miss E. Smale, who has been Matron of the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital for the past fourteen years,



SISTER STEVENSON.
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