NURSING AND THE WAR.

The King, during his recent visit to the British troops at the Front in France, made a point of visiting the sick and wounded in hospital, and cordially greeted the Matrons. The accompanying illustration will in years to come be an interesting record of this visit, and will be especially treasured by the Matron honoured by His Majesty's greeting.

It is a kind act on the part of the Port of London Authority to extend the privilege of free trips on the River, on the steam yacht *Conservator*, to the nurses in military hospitals. It will, we are sure, is hoped that it is the first of a series of annual gatherings of disabled officers.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies announces that, in recognition of the wonderful heroism of the French soldiers, the New South Wales division of the Red Cross Society has arranged to place twenty trained nurses at the disposal of the French Government.

It was intended that they should be given the Army pay from the date of embarcation, but the Australian Jockey Club has arranged to make a contribution sufficient to make up for them the full pay of staff nurses for six months. They sailed on August 4th.



THE KING MEETS THE MATRON OF A BRITISH MILITARY HOSPITAL IN FRANCE.

be greatly appreciated, for a trip on a river steamboat is a very favourite form of recreation with nurses, and a fine means of enjoying the ozone-laden air and resting tired bodies at the same time, as convalescent soldiers have already found.

A unique reunion took place at the Trocadero Restaurant on Saturday last at the dinner arranged by Commander Newcombe, R.N., Commandant of the Hanworth Park Hospital, Feltham, and a committee of officers. The dinner was in honour of Miss Munn, the Matron of the Queen's Hospital, Dover House, Roehampton, her sister, Nurse Margaret Munn, and the surgeon, Colonel Openshaw. The forty officers present had been under treatment in the hospital and had lost a limb, or been otherwise crippled during the war. It

Senator G. F. Pearce, Minister for Defence, has announced that an offer made by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia—of fifty Australian nurses for duty in India—has, says Una, been accepted by the Government of India. The personnel will be selected from the Australian nurses now in Egypt, who are available for other duties owing to the movements of troops and to the closing of the Australian hospitals. The Commonwealth Government will continue to pay the nurses at the usual Australian rates.

It is with pleasure that we publish a portrait of Sister J. S. Whyte, who was officially notified as wounded in a recent issue of the *London Gazette*. The wound, which was caused by shrapnel, which struck her while at work in a

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