NURSING AND THE WAR.

The King conferred the following decorations at Buckingham Palace on Saturday last:—

THE ROYAL RED CROSS (SECOND CLASS). Sister Cicely Bray, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve: Sister Fanny Bellerby, Sister Annie Ensell, Sister Rose Brunskill, Sister Ethel Dawson, Sister Margaret Brebner, Sister Julia Williams, Sister May Foster, Sister Ethel Cubley, Sister Jessie Whyte, Sister Emily Roberts, Sister Annie Breese, Sister Catherine Black, Sister Coral Houlson, Sister Mabel Barrett, Sister Eva Bowes, been permitted, would willingly have gone to their aid.

It is wonderful how the Scottish Women's Hospitals are always on the spot. Of course they were in the Dobroudja in time for active service. A wire came recently from the London unit at Medjidia, which has fallen.

News to hand indirectly is to the effect that the party have been doing splendid work. They are not nursing the Russians nor the Roumanians, but the Serbs who joined the Russian Army by whom they were captured from the Austrians. The members of the party are even carrying their own wounded, and are said to be working like navvies. So impressed was the Prefect of Constanza, that



THE PALACE HOSPITAL, BUCHAREST.
Princess Elizabeth. Princess Maria. The Queen.

Sister Mary Brocklehurst, Staff Nurse Olive Newstead, Staff Nurse Lillie Abbott, Staff Nurse Maude Cooze, and Staff Nurse Mabel Rainey.

Our illustration shows a salon in the palace at Bucharest converted into a hospital ward with the Queen of Roumania, Princess Elizabeth and Princess Maria as Red Cross workers. Many nurses have been much disappointed that they are unable to offer their services to Roumania, for the brave struggle of this little country compels admiration, and her Queen has a sweet and magnetic personality which attracts devoted service, and knowing the great need of the sick and wounded, nurses in this country, had they

he remarked: "No wonder England is a great nation if all her women are like that."

Lady Brassey calls attention to the fact that Dr. Elsie Inglis, with her corps of eighty women doctors, dressers, nurses and chauffeurs, are giving invaluable aid to our hard-pressed Allies, and that the work of the two field hospitals and transport column entails great expense, and further funds for the present emergency are urgently needed at the present time.

As we go to press the scheme for the Edith Cavell Homes of Rest for Nurses is made public. We shall deal with the matter next week.

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