

CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

A very pleasant evening was spent at King Albert Hospital, Store Street, W.C.—the hospital for Belgian wounded—on Wednesday in last week. It was the feast of St. Nicholas, always a day made much of in Belgium, and Father Christmas dispensed his largesse from a platform decorated with the Belgian national colours with great *empressement*. The room also was hung with festoons carried out in the same red, yellow, and black, which made a most effective decoration. It was crowded with patients, visitors, and nurses, for the hospital has been a training school for Belgian nurses. We say "has been," because it is about to be closed, and the patients distributed amongst other hospitals, the reason being that the two years for which Messrs Bourne & Hollingsworth lent the premises are now terminated, and they are anxious to re-enter into possession for their employees. The genial Matron, Miss E. M. Roberts, wearing the Royal Red Cross, and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, was, of course, a delightful hostess, and let us hope that for a time at least—while a clever conjuror was performing magic; and giving his explanations in French, appealing to his audience to help him out when he got into difficulties, which they did in high good humour—they forgot the tribulations of their heroic country. A concert, concluding with the Belgian National Anthem, was thoroughly enjoyed, and everyone agreed that the evening was a delightful one.

The doctors and nurses of the Scottish Women's Hospitals have been doing grand work with the retreating Roumanian armies. When the German advance began they refused to leave the wounded, 2,000 of whom were pouring into the field hospital every twelve hours. They have been working right in the firing line, as stretcher bearers, dressers, and orderlies as well as nurses, rendering first aid in the trenches, and carrying the wounded to the field dressing station. They have now arrived at Odessa.

MEDAL FOR VALOUR.

A telegram from Rome states that the *Military Bulletin* announces that the Medal for Valour has been conferred on Countess Helena Gleichen and Miss Nina Hollings, both belonging to the British X-ray section at the Italian front.

The *Bulletin* gives the following reason for conferring the decorations:—They gave their useful and valuable work for the Italian wounded on the Isonzo front, going willingly wherever called, even crossing zones under artillery fire, and being on several occasions a target for the enemy. They showed courage, intrepidity, and contempt of danger, always accomplishing their duty with equal self-sacrifice, lofty courage, and devotion.

The Irish Nurses' Association gratefully acknowledge the receipt of £2 from an anonymous donor.

JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

The following Sisters have been deputed for duty in Home Hospitals:—

Red Cross Hospital, Streatham.—Mrs. A. Hudson, Miss E. Gale.

Mil. Hosp., Yateley.—Miss A. F. Flood.

The Castle V.A.D. Hosp., Sherborne.—Miss L. E. Watkins.

V.A.D. Hosp., Seaton.—Miss L. E. Hoperoff.

Red Cross Hosp., Cirencester.—Miss D. H. Windsor.

Boultham V.A.D. Hosp., Lincoln.—Miss L. E. Davis.

The Gt. Hermitage, Higham.—Miss C. F. Evans.

V.A.D. Hosp., Shoreham.—Miss M. E. Crocker.

V.A.D. Hosp., Burnham-on-Crouch.—Miss G. Green.

Hillsboro' Red Cross Hospital, Harlow.—Miss J. Smith-Melland.

Newton Morrell Hosp., Barton.—Miss E. A. Manley.

Contrahe Park Hosp., Tondur, Aberkenfig.—Miss E. M. Clark, Miss L. J. Kidney.

Fund Wood, Barnsley.—Miss A. Wood.

Beechwood Red Cross Hosp., Hereford.—Miss B. Clipstone.

V.A.D., Newton Abbott.—Miss E. Barnard.

V.A.D., Northwood, Middlesex.—Miss L. D. S. Parsons.

Battenhall V.A.D., Worcester.—Miss K. Horsell.

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Aux. Mil. Hosp., Golder's Green.—Miss S. M. Crawford.

Wilderness Hosp., Seal, Sevenoaks.—Miss D. Wallis.

Northwood Hosp., Cowes, Isle of Wight.—Miss F. Stearman.

Hosp. Facial Injuries, Norfolk Street.—Miss C. H. England.

Tolland Royal, Salisbury.—Miss D. Steele.

The Hill Mil. Hosp., Lower Bourne, Farnham.—Miss C. Chappell.

St. Michael's V.A.D., Brampton.—Miss L. Huggins.

Kingswood School V.A.D., Bath.—Miss A. Sim.

Uffculme V.A.D., Birmingham.—Miss M. Alexandre.

V.A.D., Bedale, Yorks.—Miss G. Owen, Miss D. Noad.

Aux. Hosp., Bitterne, Southampton.—Miss G. Webb.

ABROAD.

Scottish Women's Hosp.—Miss M. E. Baughan (dispenser), Miss G. Hogg (Sister), Miss N. G. Wall (Sister), Miss D. I. Enesley (bacteriologist), Miss A. K. Earl (Sister), Miss M. G. Welch (Sister), Miss H. McCulloch (Sister), Miss E. Upton (Sister).

Wounded Allies.—Miss Boyle, Miss Waller, Mrs. Aldridge, Mrs. Sanderson (not trained nurses).

Boulogne.—Miss McInnes.

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