

## NURSING AND THE WAR.

Not since Queen Victoria decorated heroes of the Crimean War has the Sovereign of these Realms held an Investiture in Hyde Park until Saturday last, when the King, accompanied by Her Majesty the Queen, Queen Alexandra, and other members of the Royal Family, decorated men and women for valour and heroism. Others received decorations because those who had earned them had not only rendered very conspicuous services, but given their lives for the Empire.

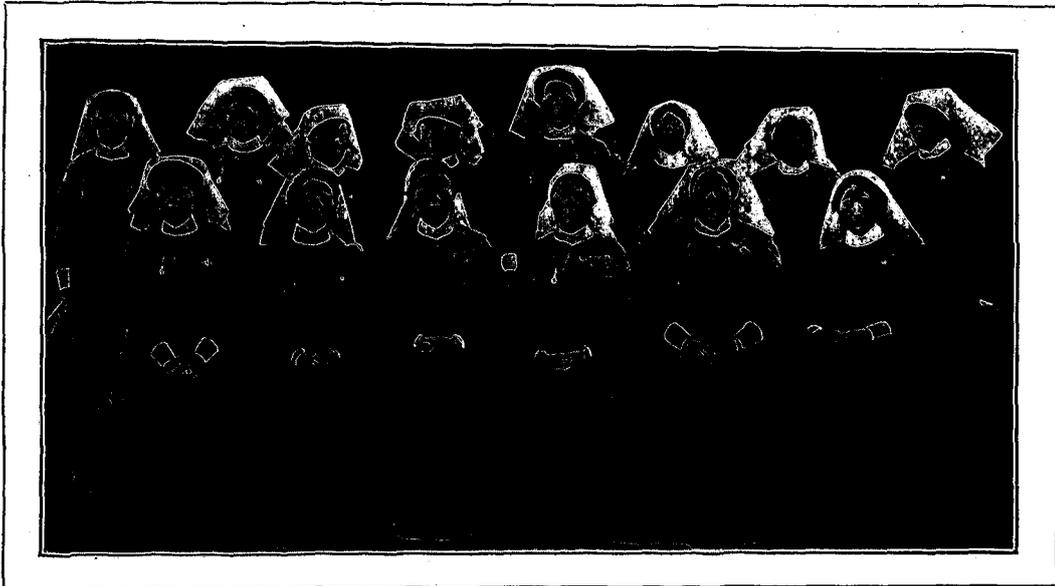
It was a very impressive scene and the following nurses were honoured by taking a personal part in it and receiving the decoration of the Royal Red Cross from the King.

### FIRST CLASS.

Superintending Sister Miss Flora Tindal Greig.

We reproduce a photograph, which is of great interest, of Members of the T.F.N.S. at the Second London General Hospital who have received the R.R.C. or been "mentioned for valuable services," taken prior to Miss Darbyshire's departure for India, and Miss Riddell's departure for France. They are:

*Back row.*—Sisters Miss McLennan, A.R.R.C.; Miss Dunsford, A.R.R.C.; Miss Boulter, A.R.R.C. Staff Nurses Miss Waite, Mentioned for Service; Miss Walsh, A.R.R.C.; Miss Glover, Mentioned for Service. Sister Mrs. Bryce Murch, Mentioned for Service. Staff Nurse Miss Orr, A.R.R.C.



MISS RIDDELL, R.R.C., MISS DARBYSHIRE, R.R.C., AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE T.F.N.S.

*British Red Cross Society.*—Matron Mrs. Elizabeth Wakeling Gold Medallist, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

*Civil Nursing Service.*—Sisters Amy Williams and Mary Wright, Nurse Laura Willans.

*Brunot Ambulance, Cambrai (late).*—Nurse Marion Mole.

*Canadian Army Nursing Service.*—Nursing Sister Grace Gray.

*Australian Army Nursing Service.*—Matron Ethel Strickland, Sister Bertha Williams.

*New Zealand Nursing Service.*—Sisters Annie Buckley, Kathleen Davies, and Fanny Speedy.

*South African Military Nursing Service.*—Nursing Sister Mary Barber.

The King has been graciously pleased to confer the Decoration of the Royal Red Cross on the undermentioned Sister in Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service:

*Front row.*—Sister Miss Hildyard, A.R.R.C.; Asst. Matron Miss Pepler, A.R.R.C.; Matron Miss Riddell, R.R.C.; Principal Matron Miss Darbyshire, R.R.C.; Sister Miss Padbury, A.R.R.C.; Staff Nurse Miss Cowie-Mitchell, A.R.R.C.

## AMERICAN RED CROSS.

An American Red Cross Committee is now being formed in London, and officially recognised in Washington, to keep in touch with the American Hospitals on this side and to supply their needs, including the care of sick nurses. We learn that the Hon. Arthur Stanley, Chairman of the British Red Cross Society, who was invited to give his opinion at a meeting at which its organisation was discussed, remarked somewhat pathetically that he had given a good deal of advice which the American Red Cross had not taken, and he saw no reason to suppose that it would be taken now.

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