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hausted their borrowing powers. An increased sum would be required for nurses in order that their conditions of work might be readjusted and their remuneration increased.

When we have a Ministry of Health, with first-class driving power at work, the hospitals should be co-ordinated and subsidised by results. Nursing would, of course, come in for consideration and encouragement, and be estimated at its true value, and just here the 'General Nursing Council—if it is an expert

on the "Lusitania" while returning from America on Red Cross work, was the wife of the famous Dr. Depage of La Panne. These heroic women were great friends.

In the House of Commons on May 6th Sir Kingsley Wood asked the Secretary to the Local Government Board, as representing the Insurance Commissioners, whether he had received representations as to the inadequacy of the nursing service throughout the country;



of the nursing service throughout the country; whether any grant is made to Insurance Committees for such purposes, and whether any scheme has been formulated.

Major Astor replied that grants from the Exchequer to Insurance Committees in aid of the provision of Nursing Services for insured persons were voted by Parliament just before the outbreak of war. The inauguration of these Services has been deferred in consequence of war conditions. The question of renewing those arrangements, or of including them in a wider provision for the whole community, is of great importance for the health of the people, and is amongst the matters that are being carefully considered in connection both with possible developments of Insurance Services and Health Services generally, but he was not yet in a position to make a statement.

MEDALLION PORTRAIT OF MISS CAVELL WITH MADAME DEPAGE.

body, as proposed by the Central Committee's Bill—will be able to render fine national service. Let us hope the Government will give "brains" a chance in this connection!

By kind permission of *The Sphere* we are able to reproduce the beautiful medallion portrait of Edith Cavell and Marie Depage. The medallion in bronze is about to be placed in the Institute for training nurses of which Miss Cavell would have been directress had she lived. Madame Depage, who met her death

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

The Prince of Wales has consented to become President of the Great Northern Central Hospital, Holloway. The King, as Prince of Wales, held this office until his accession to the throne and is now Patron of the Institution.

There is to be a new American hospital in London; a meeting for promoting it will be held at an early date. It has the support of many distinguished American and British doctors. The Secretary of the hospital is Mr. Philip Franklin, the eminent ear specialist.



