

ROYAL RED CROSS.

The King has been pleased to award the Royal Red Cross, second class, to the following ladies in recognition of their valuable services:—

SECOND CLASS.

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NURSING AND THE WAR.

It is reported that the next Matron-in-Chief of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service will be Miss Beadsmore Smith, R.R.C., who first saw active service in the South African War, and later in France in the present war. More recently she has held the position of Principal Matron at the War Office—a position which, we understand, will be filled by Miss F. M. Hodgins, R.R.C.

In this event, Miss McCarthy, who has held the position of Matron-in-Chief in France, will presumably not succeed to the premier position in Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, as, owing to the extended service for eight years of Miss E. H. Becher, Miss McCarthy will be disqualified by the age limit. We hope this does not mean she will not be awarded the pension received by the Matron-in-Chief, as this would seem most unfair. We think her salary and emoluments should be at the rate of that of the Matron-in-Chief from the date when Miss Becher should have retired.

THE AFTERMATH.

Writing from France, an English woman, working with the American Red Cross, says:—

"Not a room in Paris! . . . I thoroughly enjoyed myself at the hospital (where she was warded), where the A.R.C. staff is sent when ill, and as the A.R.C. staff is composed almost exclusively of University women, we were friends at once. . . . Every A.R.C. worker in Paris has now 900 frs. a month (£36), and others, like myself, have a "specialist's" fees as well. I am writing an article on A.R.C. Imagine a country that can bring over 6,000 trained workers at 900 frs. per month minimum! That means very serious competition for us in the world in the future! The 'Victory Ball' protests interested me very much in BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING. But what is the use of protesting in England? No one was more patriotic than I was at the beginning of the war, but I look in vain now for the 'fairplay' one used to associate with the British character—in fact, were it not for my people, I don't think I should ever trouble to come to England again."

This letter gives pause for thought, and from many others received, from which we extract "Kernels" to publish as space permits, one gathers that there is much deep and bitter resentment on the part of many "war workers," especially on the part of trained nurses, at the callous treatment by the British authorities of their professional ideals, and at the determination upon the part of the rich and powerful plutocracy, which now has its hoof squashed down on our national ideals to keep it there.

SERBIAN DECORATIONS.

The Serbian Red Cross Medal has been given to Miss Isabel Bassett, Miss Gera'dine Cooke, Miss Muriel Craigie and Miss Edith May, of the Scottish Women's Hospitals.

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