

brilliant, a diamond ring, and all her wearing apparel.

We are informed that until demobilised Canadian nurses have been resettled in civil employment in Canada, English nurses are not needed in the Dominion. The Ontario Government, as we recently reported, are engaging young women, mostly V.A.D.'s, for three years' training in mental nursing—the salaries to be from about £60 to £84 per annum. No doubt women think carefully before binding themselves for service in a new country, but V.A.D.'s are not in any number entering for training at home. They do not care for the arduous routine of a civil hospital after the excitement of military work, and the consideration and status accorded to them during the war.

The inquest on Miss Florence Nightingale Shore—a trained nurse who was attacked in the London-Hastings express, and died later in the East Sussex Hospital as the result of the injuries she received—concluded at Hastings on March 3rd without any light being thrown on the author of the crime. The guard of the train gave evidence as to a man who left the train at Lewes, but said he could not identify a man put up for identification by himself and other people.

Dr. Spilsby described the wounds, and said that death was due to coma resulting from fracture of the skull, and injury to the brain. The injuries might have been caused by the butt end or side of a revolver.

Dr. Bertha A. Beattie, house surgeon at the East Sussex Hospital, gave evidence as to Miss Shore's condition on admission; and Dr. Christopherson, senior surgeon at the hospital, said nothing could be done to save Miss Shore's life: the laceration of the brain was too deep.

The coroner, in summing up, said that very little could be gathered from the descriptions of the wanted man put in possession of the police. They hardly amounted to a clue.

In returning a verdict of wilful murder against some person or persons unknown, the jury added a rider to the effect that they were satisfied that every means had been taken to find the murderer.

NOTICE.

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THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR IRELAND.

The Irish General Nursing Council met on Wednesday, February 25th, when Dr. E. Coey Bigger, M.D., D.P.H., Chairman, Irish Public Health Council, was unanimously voted to the chair. A Sub-Committee was formed consisting of the Chairman and the members resident in Dublin, to draw up the Rules and submit them to the Council subsequently. The Sub-Committee consists of Dr. Coey Bigger, Miss M. Huxley, Miss A. Reeves, Miss O'Flynn, Miss Vera Matheson, and Colonel Taylor, C.B., F.R.C.S.I. The Committee will start work immediately.

HONOURS FOR NURSES.

ROYAL RED CROSS.

The King conferred decorations, as follows, at an Investiture at Buckingham Palace on March 3rd :—

THE ROYAL RED CROSS (FIRST CLASS).

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.—Miss Mary Newman and Mary, Mrs. Sampson. Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.—Miss Beatrice Tanner.

THE ROYAL RED CROSS (SECOND CLASS).

Royal Naval Nursing Service.—Miss Lilian Swift. Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.—Miss Mary Daly, Miss Mary Furdham, Elsie, Mrs. Melville, Miss Mary O'Dowd, Miss Mary Powell, Miss Kate Skinner, and Miss Mildred Stewart.

Territorial Force Nursing Service.—Miss Lily Chapman, Miss Amy Martin, Miss Marion McMillan, Miss Gwendoline Quentrall, Miss Jean Robertson, and Isabella, Mrs. Storar.

Civil Nursing Service.—Miss Gertrude Piper. British Red Cross Society.—Miss May Francis, Miss Caroline Lawson, and Miss Ellen Munro. Voluntary Aid Detachment.—Miss Theodora Almack, Miss Margaret Coombes, Miss Mary Earle, Miss Cicely Jackson and Miss Elizabeth Thompson.

At an Investiture at Buckingham Palace on March 5th, the King conferred decorations as follows :—

BAR TO THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.—Miss Agnes Weir,

THE ROYAL RED CROSS AND BAR.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.—Miss Catherine Stronach,

THE ROYAL RED CROSS (FIRST CLASS).

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.—Miss Mary Cooper, Miss Ethel Devenish-Mears (also received the Military Medal), and Miss Lilian Wheatley.

ROYAL RED CROSS (SECOND CLASS).

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.—Miss Olive Matthews.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.—Miss Florence Clieve, Miss Winifred Hoare, Miss Florence Morgan, Miss Jessie Scott, and Miss Annie Wright.

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