of computing her superannuation allowance. Both Miss Smith and her predecessor were compelled to resign because of ill-health, after years of most excellent service; and the least the Guardians could do was to agree to this motion, moved by Mr. Huckle. We regret to note that this meed of justice was opposed by Mrs. Harker.

When it is realised that the Kingston Infirmary contains more than 600 beds, to which is attached an excellent training school for nurses, and that the salary of the Matron commences at £100 per annum, rising £10 yearly to £140, we think the Board of Guardians shows a lack of appreciation of the value of trained supervision of the Nursing Department, and the Infirmary, which is far from creditable to them. The commencing salary for such a charge should not be less than £200 per annum, rising to £300.

We thought the College Council had this question of sufficient salaries for nurses in hand. We advise them to stir up the Kingston Guardians.

We greatly approve the suggestion of Mothers' Clubs, and a good beginning has been made by Nurses Ashby and Powell at Ramsgate:—

A charming little function took place recently at the Foresters' Hall, Ramsgate, when the nurses entertained a party of mothers and babies to a tea and social evening. The hall looked very bright and inviting, and there was a galaxy of lovely children and their proud mothers.

The social event was one which was welcomed by a number of mothers who are comparative newcomers to Ramsgate, and who are glad to meet other mothers as new friends. The nurses are considering the formation of a Mothers' Club, which should be a decided social gain among their patients. After tea there was an interval for baby-loving and the comparing of notes round the cheery fire, the cooing babies providing the most charming of music.

Later an entertainment was given which had been arranged by Mr. W. Palmer. Mothers and babies were presented with wee mascot gollywogs. Much to the disappointment of all present, Nurse Ashby was unable to attend owing to an accident which she sustained the previous day.

A large number of Royal Red Crosses have been awarded, mostly to V.A.D.'s. Miss Monk, Matron of the London Hospital, is promoted from A.R.R.C. to R.R.C. We hope to find space for the list in a future issue.

HONOURS FOR NURSES.

WAR SERVICE BY LAND AND SEA. ADDITIONS TO LISTS OF MENTIONS.

The names of a number of officers, ladies, warrant officers and men are to be added to those brought to notice for distinguished and gallant services and devotion to duty. They include:—

FRANCE.

By Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, K.T., G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., K.C.I.E., late Commander-in-Chief, the British Armies in France, in his despatch of March 18th, 1919:—

TERRITORIAL FORCE NURSING SERVICE.
McDowell, S./Nurse Mrs. E., 10th Gen. Hosp.
Australian Imperial Force Nursing Service.
Swain, Sister Miss H.

EGYPT.

By General Sir E. H. H. Allenby, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., Commander-in-Chief Egyptian Expeditionary Force:—

TERRITORIAL FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

Begg, S./Nurse Miss A.; Burnett, Sister Miss A.; Gallacher, Sister Miss E.; Hughes, S./Nurse Miss S. B.; Randall, S./Nurse Miss B.; Roth, Sister Miss N.

VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENT.

Bestwick, Nurse Miss A. E.; Bowman, Nurse Miss A.; Dove, Nurse Miss L.; Fry, Nurse Miss E. M.; Moss-Flower, Nurse Miss M. D.; Quarmley, Nurse Miss L. M.; Rait, Nurse Miss C.

IMPERIAL SERVICE TROOPS.

EGYPTIAN ARMY.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Brown, Mrs. B.; Comanos, Mme. C.; Fletcher, Mrs. J.; Horton, T./Hon. Lt. C.; Russell, Mrs. D.; Sharpe, T./Hon. Lt. A.; Siddall, T./Hon. Lt. A. M.; Slavick, Mrs H.; Wills, Mrs. E. M.; Woods, Mrs. A.

ITALY.

By General F.R. Earl of Cavan, K.P., K.C.B., M.V.O., Commander-in-Chief of the British Forces in Italy:—

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Casswell, Sister (A./Matron) Miss M. R., A.R.R.C., attd. 1/3rd (S. Mid.) Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (T.F.).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE RESERVE.

Anderson, S./Nurse Miss G., 79th Gen. Hosp.; Freeman, Sister Miss R., 79th Gen. Hosp.

TERRITORIAL FORCE NURSING SERVICE.
Vernon, Sister Miss M., 38th Staty. Hosp.;
Willens, Asst. Matron Miss J., 79th Gen. Hosp.

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