

Royal British Nurses' Association.

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A WELL-EARNED HONOUR.

Members of the Royal British Nurses' Association have read with great pleasure that Mr. Herbert J. Paterson, F.R.C.S., M.C., Cantab., has received the Order of Commander of the British Empire, and we unite in offering to our esteemed Medical Hon. Secretary our warm congratulations on this well-earned recognition of the splendid work which he accomplished for his country during the years of war. Many of our Members worked, from time to time, in Queen Alexandra's Hospital for Officers, at Highgate, and they, in particular, will feel a great sense of satisfaction that this honour has been conferred upon a surgeon whose work they have so greatly admired, and whose kindness, while they were working in his hospital, they are not likely to forget. Every nursing sister engaged on the staff received £2 2s. a week and emoluments.

PAGEANT OF THE HISTORY OF NURSING.

The General Council have decided that, for members of the public, the prices of the tickets for the Pageant of the History of Nursing, to be held at the Wharnccliffe Rooms, Great Central Hotel, W., on April 15th, shall be one guinea, and half a guinea, each, while the nurses' tickets will cost five shillings each, to include refreshments. As the number of the tickets is limited to 500, those who wish to attend should send notice of this to the Secretary at an early date.

The arrangements are now well under consideration, and other interesting functions are anticipated in addition to the Pageant.

THE NURSES OWN CLUB.

Nurses who wish to become Members or Associates of The Nurses' Own Club should fill in the Coupon on page iv and forward it to H.R.H. the Princess Christian at 78, Pall Mall. The Committee intend that special privileges shall be accorded to the early members.

LECTURE.

Miss Graham Hope will give a lecture on Wednesday, the 18th inst at 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W., on "The Social and Moral Influence of Nurses as one of the Greatest Factors in the Welfare of the Human Race." We will announce the hour of the lecture in the next issue of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, and hope that Members of the Royal British Nurses' Association and other nurses will make every effort to attend. The lecture is sure to be most interesting, and as Miss Graham Hope is a very good friend of the nurses, we shall look forward to having a large attendance.

IDEAL HOMES.

"THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE NATION'S GLORY ARE SET IN THE HOMES OF THE PEOPLE."—*His Majesty the King.*

The question of homes, ideal or otherwise, and how to obtain them, is one that is uppermost in the minds of very many people just now. The opening of the Ideal Homes Exhibition at Olympia on Wednesday last, organised by the *Daily Mail*, by Princess Alice Countess of Athlone, is a valuable contribution to the solution of this problem.

Here and now, we have only space to refer to the Ministry of Health Official Exhibit, which is in the Annexe through the large Central Hall. Here are to be seen blocks of cottages, built from the designs of architects, who competed for the prizes offered by the *Daily Mail*, for plans of cottages for workers, and won the £500 first prize in various industrial areas of the country. The walls of these cottages have been built to scale, to the height of four feet, and their interior decoration finished, so that we get an excellent idea of both ground floor and bedroom floor. Round the walls of the Annexe is a panorama of the elevation of the cottages.

A particularly interesting exhibit in this section is a "lay out," illustrating the Garden City principle applied to the development of towns. Trained nurses who are profoundly conscious of the importance of the housing question in relation to public health and morals, should take an early opportunity of visiting the Exhibition.

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