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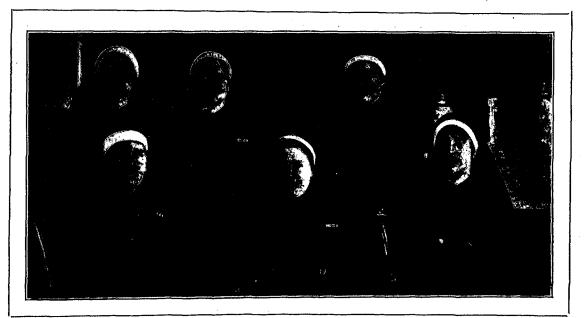
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HELPING THE GREEK WOUNDED.

I The Unit of six Sisters requisitioned by the Queen of the Hellenes from the Registered Nurses' Society to help nurse the Greek wounded, left London for Athens on Sunday, and Tuesday, by the Orient express train-de-luxe *via* Paris, Milan, Venice, Trieste, Belgrade, Nisch, and Salonica, and as will be seen from their portraits they are an eminently professional looking little group.

On Saturday, May 7th, the Sisters were received at the Greek Legation, and were presented by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick to his Excellency M. A. Rizo-Rangabé, the Resident Minister and Chargé d'Affaires of Greece in London. His Excellency welcomed the Sisters in a charming little speech, explained to them the altruistic aims of traditions. There was no doubt that the time would come when the peoples of the Western world would realise that the sacrifices which are being made to-day by Greece were on their behalf, and the future historian will render homage to this small nation, condemning the indifference shown by the world at large towards the task it is now fulfilling.

The Right Hon. Earl Curzon of Kedleston, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has informed Mrs. Bedford Fenwick that he has advised His Majesty's Minister at Athens of the departure of the six Sisters of the Registered Nurses' Society to nurse with the Greek Red Cross, and Lord Granville has been asked to give them all possible assistance. Lord Curzon wished the Sister-in-Charge (Sister Catherine A. Evans) to call at His



Sisters OAKLEY-WILLIAMS, POST, and BELLAMY.

Sister C. A. EVANS.

Sisters NUNN and DUMVILL.

the Greek people in advancing and protecting civilisation in the Near East, and thanked them for going forth to nurse the sick and wounded soldiers of Greece in words which were calculated to inspire a nursing crusade.

His Excellency said the Greeks were fighting alone and unaided to-day. Political intrigue and financial interests might have obscured at this moment the real issue. They might have obscured the fact that the Greeks are to-day—as they were in ancient days against Persians, Saracens, Turks the defenders of Europe and the bulwark of European civilisation against Asiatic barbarism. If ideals were dead in this matter-of-fact world, if the feeling of solidarity of moral forces which a century ago brought to the succour of Hellenism such men as Byron, Favier, and the heroes of Navarino no longer survives, Greece will nevertheless stand true to her historical rôle and Majesty's Legation on arrival at Athens.

This kindness on the part of Lord Curzon was greatly appreciated by the Sisters, and their relations may feel quite satisfied that they will find plenty of good friends in Greece, where their one aim will be to prove once more the courage and devotion to duty of the British nurse.

There is no nationality in nursing—Mercy is its motto.

THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR IRELAND.

The General Nursing Council for Ireland is to be congratulated upon an eminently practical bit of work, which Sister Councils might well copy. It has printed the Application Forms for Existing Nurses in distinctive colours; General, white; Male, fawn; Mental, blue; Sick Children, rose; Fever, yellow. A great help to the Registrar.



