

A PLEASANT FUNCTION.

On April 28th, a very enjoyable dinner arranged by Miss Bushby took place at the United Nursing Services Club, 34, Cavendish Square, W. The Committee of the Club had kindly agreed to receive as the guests of the President and Vice-President of the British College of Nurses certain Fellows who had travelled from a distance to be present at the Church House on Diploma Day. These included Miss Mackenzie, Matron of the Children's Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Miss Cameron, Matron of the Children's Hospital, Glasgow, Miss M. R. Stewart, Secretary, Glasgow Nurses' Club, and Miss Violetta Thurstan.

Mrs. Lancelot Andrews was also staying in the Club, and a very happy party foregathered in its dining-room, where Mrs. Bedford Fenwick and Miss Bushby presided at either end of the table. An excellent dinner was served quietly and swiftly by deft-handed maids, wearing the smart blue uniform of the Club, with turn down collars and cuffs, and caps with a ribbon band of the same pretty shade of blue.

A short time was spent in the pleasant drawing-room,

HELENA BENEVOLENT FUND.—Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, £2; Miss A. E. Boldero, £1 1s.; Mrs. Strong, Misses K. Glover, Davies-Colley, £1; Miss Burrows, 15s.; Miss Alys Barry, 10s. 6d.; Misses Anson, E. A. Boldero, Cattell, Eve, 10s.; Miss Colborne, 5s. 6d.; Misses A. E. Briggs, Bryson, Butcher, Chippendale, Cooper, Cowie, E. Davies, Denham, Farrington, Hazelton, Hinton, Huxley, Jennings, Mitchell, O. Perkins, Randall, Tisdall, Vergette, Ware, Pelham-Williams, Wiskin, 5s.; Miss Wethered, 4s.; Misses Schuller, Troughton, 3s.; Mrs. Holdsworth, Mrs. Tribble, Misses Bellamy, Bennett, Biglands, Burke, Carruthers, Chavasse, Chitson, Cole, Drakard, Dyke, Fincher, Fisher, Ford, M. M. Jones, Kent, Liddiatt, Mackie, Mather, Phelps, Pinchbeck, K. Smith, Terry, Turnbull, Veitch, Whatling, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Gurnett, Mrs. Henson, Mrs. Sherliker, Misses Ayers, Bayley, Coates, Conway, Des Wickham, Dearth, Dorrell, Dowse, Duncan, Fisher, Fulham Hospital, Gooding, Jackson, McGibbon, Page-Henderson, Pearse, Price, Rowe, Shephard, Stevenson, Willman, Wilson, 1s. Misses Mary Donaldson and F. E. Howell, 10s.; Miss A. McGregor Campbell, 4 dollars 87 cents.; Miss E. Pelham-Williams, 8s.; Misses E. M. Cancellor and B. Ryan, 5s.;



UNIT OF NURSES OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE AT WATERLOO STATION, EN ROUTE FOR CHINA, IN CHARGE OF MISS E. J. MINNS, R.R.C., MATRON.

and then good-byes were said so that everyone might be fresh and ready on the morrow for the ceremony at the Church House.

Those who are acquainted with the Club, in so convenient and central a position, the excellence of its arrangements, and the comfort and efficiency which characterise it, realise how much it owes to the unobtrusive but vigilant supervision of the Secretary, Miss M. F. Steele, R.R.C., F.B.C.N., whose services in this connection the Committee and Members are indeed fortunate to have secured.

NOTICE.

TO MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

As so many Members of the Association are interested in what took place on "Diploma Day," and as the Reception in the evening was held at the Royal British Nurses' Association's Club, it has been judged best not to insert the R.B.N.A. Supplement this month as, thereby, we should curtail space available for giving a full report of the proceedings on April 29th.

We therefore publish only the following list of donations:

Probationers at Fulham Hospital, 2s. 6d.; Miss A. Whitford, 1s. 6d.; Miss E. B. Lugar, 1s.

ISABEL MACDONALD, *Secretary.*

NURSES FOR CHINA.

A unit of Nurses left for China on April 20th, which included Miss E. J. Minns, R.R.C. (Matron), Miss C. Hose, Miss H. G. Lawford, Miss E. M. Doyle, Miss J. F. Murphy, Miss M. Gray, (Sisters); Miss G. E. Mathias, Miss G. C. Belcher, Miss E. M. Tigwell, Miss M. H. Rawlings, (Staff Nurses) all members of Q.A.I.M.N.S., Miss C. M. C. Stranach, (Staff Nurse), a member of Q.A.I.M.N.S. Res., (St. Thomas's Hospital).

We rejoice to know that the services of these Sisters will be available for British soldiers in the Far East who may need their care. For many years when our soldiers went into the danger zone neither military nor civilian nurses were permitted near the front. But in the Great War nurses proved abundantly their right to serve the wounded under fire, and also their indispensability. Now if troops are ordered on active service, nurses go also, almost as a matter of course.

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