

The grounds where the Re-union takes place are charming, and the Matron, Miss C. E. Todd, M.M., R.R.C., always genial and hospitable.

Lady Grigg is receiving substantial support in response to her appeal for a welfare centre in Nairobi, and an association of trained nurses in Kenya. Her Majesty the Queen has sent a cheque for £25 towards the fund and wishes her every success in her efforts. Lady Grigg reports that Her Majesty's gracious example has been followed by many others, and well over £3,000 has been subscribed for the European Nurses' Association and Maternity Home in Nairobi. His Highness the Aga Khan has also undertaken to raise a sum sufficient to provide for the immediate needs of the Indian side of the scheme, and Lady Grigg adds, in a letter to the *Times* :—

"I should like, however, to go back to Kenya next month with something substantial for the African welfare centres as well as for the Europeans and the Indians. Mrs. Randall Davidson has subscribed £20 to this side, and other contributions amounting to about £200 have been received. It is hoped also that a small annual grant may be made from a trust fund established for native welfare. But another £2,000 is needed to equip the Nairobi Native Child Welfare Centre with quarters for a European nurse and a small training-school for native nurses and midwives. If anyone will help me towards this further sum they will find me at 16, Great College Street, Westminster, and deeply grateful. I am sure there are many of your readers who would not wish the African side of the scheme to be less generously supported than the other two. The young native women are so helpless and so eager for enlightenment from women of our own higher civilisation."

Colonel J. Norman Walker, I.M.S., Hon. Secretary, Central Committee of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association, writes in the Annual Report :—

"Miss F. A. Hodgson is leaving the Association. The period of her superintendence has seen the withdrawal of the generous help given by the P. and O. Company, it has seen prices of general living at their highest, and our difficulties further aggravated by a consequent fall in the number of subscribers. Yet by able administration the Association has never been in a stronger position or more popular than at present, and the tide in subscriptions has definitely turned in our favour.

"No problem has come before Miss Hodgson that has not been solved by the most careful and unbiased consideration and with a tact that has made our large staff one happy and contented family. Miss Hodgson has never spared herself in devotion to our interests, and her loss is a matter of very deep regret to all who have been associated with her. We very heartily congratulate her on the award of the Kaisr-i-Hind Gold Medal which she has so well earned and wish her every happiness on her retirement."

Miss Florence Hodgson, concluding her last official report as Lady Superintendent of the Association, writes :—

"To the Lady Superintendents, and the Nursing Sisters, as also to my office staff, who have always given

me loyal support in our work for the common cause; and in the case of whom I consider myself to have been singularly fortunate and privileged, I extend my appreciation and thanks; and wish them in all sincerity continued success in their work, and much happiness in its undertaking. I shall relinquish my duties with the greatest regret, and shall be happy to help in every way possible within my power the interests of the Association after I have left India."

### IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Members of the Official Party of the National Council of Nurses, travelling to Geneva for the Conference of the International Council of Nurses on July 23rd, are asked to take particular notice of the alteration in the arrangements since they were printed in our June issue.

We print below the latest arrangements.

The Official Party arranged from Headquarters of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain by Miss Carson-Rae will assemble at the Continental departure platform at Victoria Station at 1 p.m., on Saturday, July 23rd, and travel out *via* Folkestone, Boulogne, Laon, and Basle.

Breakfast will be served at Basle, which is reached at 5.25 a.m., where seats are being reserved in the buffet for all members of the party.

Dinner may be had on the train, and tickets can be reserved in advance, price 4s. 1d. Any who wish for seats are asked to apply at once to The Hon. Secretary N.C.N. 39 Portland Place, London, W.

Accommodation in Geneva has been secured at the Pension Dupuis at a cost of £2 18s. 6d. for seven days, inclusive of service, three meals, and tax.

The price of tour complete with ticket, reserved seats in trains, conveyance from station to Hotel, and one week's Hotel accommodation is £9 4s. 3d.

### HONOURS FOR NURSES.

At the Investiture, held at Buckingham Palace on June 21st, the following Trained Nurses, whose names appeared in the Birthday Honours List, were decorated by the King.

#### The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

##### Military Division.

##### COMMANDER.

Miss Joanna M. Cruickshank, R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief, Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service.

##### OFFICER.

Miss Maud Blakely, Q.A.I.M.N.S.

##### PRIZE ESSAY.

Readers are reminded that their papers for the Competition on "The Ethical Standards and Qualifications which a Patient has a right to expect in a Private Nurse" must reach the Office of the Journal by 15th July. For particulars as to the manner of sending in the papers for the Competition please refer to the June issue of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

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