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Nurses in many lands who, through the International Council of Nurses, are acquainted with the fine work done by Dr. Anna Hamilton, of Bordeaux, for the training of nurses and for the maintenance of adequate nursing standards, will rejoice to know that she has been accorded high recognition by the State by the award to her of the Legion of Honour for her Public Health work, and particularly for the important part she has taken in the creation of Nursing Schools in France. It will be remembered that she chose Nursing as the subject of her Thesis when going up for the degree of Doctor of Medicine which she gained in 1901, passing brilliantly. The same year, with the support of Dr. Lande, who was Mayor of Bordeaux at the time, she founded the Nursing School at the Tondu Hospital, the first institution of its kind in France.

paring labels, housekeeping and cookery. They have lectures on hygiene, the history of hospitals, and many other things—indeed, upon all that has to be done in a well-managed hospital outside nursing. This School has been in Dr. Hamilton's mind for some years, and she believes it can well develop in the new hospital at Bagatelle, which has sixty rooms, nine wards, and twenty-one terraces, altogether 165 beds.

Among Dr. Hamilton's many activities has been the compilation, in collaboration with Mme. Jules Forsans, of a History of Florence Nightingale, which is, like everything undertaken by her, thoroughly and admirably done. The Council of the British College of Nurses received at its last meeting, with very great pleasure, a copy of this history inscribed "For the Library of the College of Nurses.—A, Hamilton."



THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE TRAINING SCHOOL, BORDEAUX.

After the Great War the American Nurses' Association which desired to erect a Memorial in France to American Nurses who lost their lives in the War was so impressed with Dr. Hamilton's work that it decided to raise the funds to build a Florence Nightingale School as the "American Nurses' Memorial" at Bagatelle, near Bordeaux.

Dr. Hamilton writes that there are sixty-two pupils now, and they are very satisfactory. The group here published shows that they have been trained in the best traditions of nursing as to immaculate neatness. The formal opening of the new block of the Nurses' Home is to take place in August, and will be performed by Miss Clara D. Noyes, Chairman of the Memorial Committee.

Although now in indifferent health Dr. Hamilton began, last October, a School of hospital management at Bagatelle, which she anticipates girls too young to begin their training as nurses, in order to take the State Examination at twenty-one years of age, will first enter.

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RHODODENDRONS.

A most courteous invitation has been issued by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Crosfield of Embley Park, Hants, through Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, for a party of Nurses to visit their lovely demesne on Thursday, May 22nd, to see their superb collection of rhododendrons (a shrub beloved by Florence Nightingale) in full bloom, and to take tea with them at Embley Park at 4 p.m.

The motor coach will leave 39, Portland Place, W.1, at 9 a.m., and nurses grouped in the National Council of Nurses who wish to avail themselves of this delightful invitation should apply for tickets at once, price 9s. 0d., to Miss Isabel Macdonald, 194, Oueen's Gate, S.W.7, or Miss Hale, B.C.N., 39, Portland Place, W.1.

A visit will be paid to the grave of Miss Florence Nightingale at East Wellow, and also to Romsey Abbey if the time permits.

The coach arrangements are in the hands of the "Chief Rambler," Miss Liddiatt, so all will be well, and each member of the party will take her own lunch, mineral waters being provided.



