

YUGOSLAV HONOUR FOR A BRITISH NURSE.

Miss Agnes Hardie, S.R.N., Matron of the Anglo-Yugoslav Hospital for Children in Belgrade, has just been awarded the decoration of the Order of Saint Sava, Class V, for her services in Yugoslavia. Our illustration is from a photograph taken at the recent opening of the new Sanatorium for tuberculous children at Sremska Kamenica to which Dr. Katherine Macphail has now moved her hospital. It shows Miss Hardie with a small patient in one of the open-air wings of the hospital.

Miss Hardie received her training at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester.

THE FOOD EDUCATION SOCIETY.

A further course of three lectures will be given by Dr. Clement Nicory for the Food Education Society at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (University of London), Keppel Street, Gower Street, on consecutive Tuesdays at 5.15 p.m. Subjects: *March 12*—"Chronic Rheumatism, its prevention and treatment."

March 19—"Malnutrition, with special reference to obesity." *March 26*—"The chief causes of ill-health." Admission free.

Dr. Clement Nicory's lectures last year drew large audiences, and the announcement of a second series will be welcomed by many.

A PERMANENT GUARD.

Fourteen men chosen for their long service record, winners of the Victoria Cross for preference, formed a permanent guard for the War Memorial shrine inaugurated by the Duke of Gloucester during the Melbourne centenary celebrations.

THE PASSING BELL.

It is with very sincere regret that the sad news has been received of the death of Miss Nellie Gertrude Beeham, a Fellow of the British College of Nurses, who passed away on January 14th.

Miss Beeham received her training at the Peterborough General Infirmary, and was a State Certified Midwife. She had held the posts of Sister at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, Marylebone Road, London, N.W., Assistant Matron at St. Mary's Maternity Hostel, Croydon, and, until her retirement three years ago, was for upwards of nine years Matron of the Greenwich Maternity Home, S.E.3, where her duties were admirably performed with the greatest diligence.

Miss Beeham was of a gentle and highly conscientious disposition, and endured with great courage a long and painful illness.

PROFESSIONAL REVIEW.

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION FOR WOMEN.

We have received for review "Hospital Administration for Women" by Miss Emily MacManus, Matron of Guy's Hospital, London, a book which covers a wide range of subjects. Personnel and Central Administration (the Superintendent's Office, the Matron, Hospital Committees); the Nursing Staff and the Nursing School, the Domestic Staff—resident and non-resident—Service Departments (the Works Department, the Central Station, the Laundry, the Linen Stores, the Dressmaking Department, the Steward's Stores, Hospital Kitchens, Catering, the Dispensary). Then there are Schools and Associations connected with the Hospital (the School of Massage, the Medical, Electrical and Actino-Therapy Department and School, the School of Radiography, the School of Midwifery, the Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Department, and the Infants' Welfare Centre, Social Service; the School of Almoners, Voluntary Workers). The last section deals with the

Radiations from the Centre (Private Nursing and Nursing Abroad). There are two appendices, (1) relating to Standing Orders for the Superintendent, and (2) to Hospital Dietary. Lastly there is a comprehensive chart showing "a scheme of administration of a voluntary hospital with a medical school and training schools for nurses and students in massage and radiography, and of the almoner's department (a channel for co-ordination between the hospital and the various organisations scheduled).

It is obvious that it is impossible in the course of a short review to comment upon the organisation of all these

departments, many of which come under the control of the Matron and with all of which she and her staff must aim to work in harmony.

The book, we are told, is primarily for hospital Matrons, but also for senior hospital nurses, and all who are interested in hospital work on its administrative side.

The routine of a Matron's duties is outlined, and of her morning rounds of the wards we read, "This morning visit, on the Matron's part, should not be a fault-finding tour, but a visit to the patients, to all of whom she will wish 'good morning' and with some of whom she will speak. It will also be an opportunity for pleasant conversation with the Ward Sister on matters connected with her ward. An experienced Matron will know when to call attention to bad work, and when to pass it by, knowing that the



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Miss Agnes Hardie, Matron, Anglo-Yugoslav Sanatorium for Tuberculous Children, Sremska Kamenica.

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