THE VIRTUE OF NEATNESS.

The picture which we reproduce on this page of four members of the Registered Nurses Society—Sisters Park, Evans, Borrett and Duckett—is of interest as showing the meticulous neatness and professional appearance of these nurses 20 years ago, when they were selected in 1915 for service in a hospital in Alexandria during the Great War. Later Sister Evans was one of those who, in a Græco-Turkish war was selected with other R.N.S. Nurses by the British



OUR NEAT NURSES TWENTY YEARS AGO.

Red Crescent Society for nursing service with the Turkish Army near the front lines in Asia Minor, where they rendered most useful service, and subsequently spoke highly of the treatment they received from the Turkish authorities, and of the gratitude of the wounded, who were excellent patients.

TROPICAL MEDICINE AND NURSING.

The establishment of a Tropical Medical Research Committee is announced. The decision to appoint this new body has been taken by the Medical Research Council in consultation with the Colonial Office. The new committee will advise and assist in the direction of such investigations as the Council may be able to promote, whether at home or abroad, into problems of health and disease in tropical climates, and make suggestions generally as to research in this field.

The committee will be a purely scientific body. It will include representatives of the Colonial Office and of the Liverpool and London Schools of Tropical Medicine, with

other members appointed as individual experts in tropical medicine or in different branches of medical science.

Tropical medicine is a chief glory of the British people, says *The Times*, because it was by Britons that the foundations of tropical medicine were laid. Sir Patrick Manson is called the "Father of Tropical Medicine," and those who followed immediately in his steps, Ross and Bruce and Leishman, were pioneers in the fullest sense of that word. They began the work which is making the tropics safe for the white man, and their researches have been used by the students of all other nations.

The spring course of lectures on Tropical Diseases organised by the Hospital for Tropical Diseases, 25, Gordon Street, Endsleigh Gardens, W.C.1, began on Monday, March 9th, at 5.30 p.m., and will extend over three months. Further particulars will be found in our advertisement columns.

We draw attention to these lectures as we consider them a very valuable opportunity for acquiring knowledge in regard to a branch of nursing concerning which most nurses in this country know little, but which, in view of the fact that nurses, in the course of their duty travel far afield, it is important that they should possess. The lectures are accompanied by demonstrations with lantern slides, diagrams and specimens.

KING GEORGE'S SIX MAXIMS.

On the walls of King George's study in Buckingham Palace are six maxims which serve to illustrate the character of our late King. They are :—

Teach me to be obedient to the rules of the game;

Teach me to distinguish between sentiment and sentimentality-admiring the one and despising the other;

Teach me neither to proffer nor to receive cheap praise; If I am called upon to suffer let me be like a well-bred

beast that goes away to suffer in silence; Teach me to win if I may; if I may not win, then, above

all, teach me to be a good loser;

Teach me neither to cry for the moon nor over spilt milk.



