

## MISS EDITH CAVELL AND HOMES OF REST FOR NURSES.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—Will you kindly allow me to take advantage of the fact that Oct. 12th is the first anniversary of the death of my sister, Edith Cavell, to say that she had long cherished the idea of establishing homes of rest for nurses. She had hoped to devote the latter years of her life, when her work in Brussels had finished, to providing places where nurses in need of temporary mental and physical rest from their work could receive the benefit of a real home, and so become again able to take up the burden of life with some chance of success.

After serious thought I decided to try to put my sister's project into practical shape, and I am glad to say that I have met with strong and wide support. An influential council has already been formed, and its members have satisfied themselves that there is a definite need for such homes in the nursing world. It is certain that this need will become increasingly acute as the war continues, and that when the war is over it will remain acute for a considerable period thereafter. This consideration alone should find an echo in the hearts of all desirous of helping those who have devotedly laboured in a time of national stress, who are interested in the welfare of working women, and who love and respect the memory of Edith Cavell, who gave her life to the profession of nursing.

May I add that a freehold house standing in about 3½ acres of ground in a most suitable locality, which will deal with the needs of about 100 nurses yearly, has been offered to me as a gift, provided that a fund sufficient for its permanent endowment as a home can be raised. And, lastly, may I hope that when the council puts forth its appeal it may find a response in all parts of the British Empire.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

F. M. SCOTT CAVELL.

The Hull and East Riding Convalescent Home, Withernsea, E. Yorks, Oct. 10th, 1916.

\* \* We have received a list, as yet a private one, of those who have already consented to join the council. They form an influential group of men and women, representative in every respect. We recommend the movement cordially to our readers as one for which they should obtain support from their patients. Donations may be sent to either Major W. McAdam Eccles, 124, Harley-street, W., or Mr. R. Martin-Holland, Martin's Bank, 68, Lombard-street, E.C., the treasurers of the fund.—ED. L.

By a misreading of the manuscript, the affix "Mrs." was added to Mr. E. W. Hutton's signature in the letter which appeared from him last week pleading for routine radioscopy in military hospitals. Mr. E. W. Hutton is the chief radiologist at the Hôpital Notre Dame des Grèves, St. Malo.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF IRELAND.—The first selection of President of the Royal College of Physicians under the new scheme took place last week, and has resulted in the nomination of Dr. Joseph F. O'Carroll, professor of medicine in University College, Dublin. On the last Friday in September the Fellows selected by ballot three candidates for the Presidency, of whom Dr. O'Carroll was one. The other two having signified their unwillingness to accept the office, Dr. O'Carroll's name will be submitted formally for election on St. Luke's Day.

THE LATE DR. ST. CLAIR B. SHADWELL.—Dr. St. Clair Shadwell, a well-known practitioner in the North-East of London, died at his residence at Walthamstow on Sept. 23rd, at the age of 64. He received his medical education at Guy's Hospital, obtaining the Membership of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1875. Subsequently, in 1891, he took the D.P.H. of the English Conjoint Board, and graduated M.D. of St. Andrews University four years later. After holding appointments at Guy's Hospital and the Great Ormond-street Hospital, he entered upon medical practice at Walthamstow, where he was consulting medical officer to the Dispensary, and for 13 years medical officer of health. He also had held the posts of certifying factory surgeon, medical examiner to the Board of Education and medical officer to the Post Office. An ardent Volunteer, he joined the movement quite early in his career, and received the V.D., retiring with the rank of Surgeon-Lieutenant Colonel of the 1st Volunteer Brigade Essex Regiment.

## The War.

## THE CASUALTY LIST.

THE following names of medical officers appear among the casualties announced since our last issue:—

*Killed.*

- Capt. S. Clark, R.A.M.C., was a student at King's College Hospital, London, and qualified in 1896. He had held appointments at King's College Hospital and at Leeds General Infirmary, and was in practice at Fulham-road, London, prior to joining the R.A.M.C.
- Capt. T. L. Ingram, D.S.O., M.C., R.A.M.C., attached King's Shropshire Light Infantry, was educated at Cambridge University and at the London Hospital, and qualified in 1903. He was at one time house surgeon at the Westminster Hospital and also at the Poplar Hospital, and when he joined the R.A.M.C. he was a medical officer of the Lutterworth Union and of the Market Harborough Union.
- Capt. W. F. MacAlevey, R.A.M.C., was a student at St. Mary's Hospital, London, and qualified in 1915. He thereupon joined the R.A.M.C., and obtained his captaincy in February last.
- Capt. F. S. Walcott, R.A.M.C., attached Northumberland Fusiliers.
- Capt. E. R. Welch, R.A.M.C., attached Durham Light Infantry.

*Died.*

- Surgeon W. H. Edmunds, R.N., qualified L.M.S.S.A. Lond. in 1913.

*Wounded.*

- Capt. L. Adamson, R.A.M.C.
- Capt. G. D'R. Carr, R.A.M.C., attached Sherwood Foresters.
- Capt. H. Mathews, R.A.M.C., attached Northampton Regiment.
- Capt. N. J. Barton, Canadian Army Medical Corps.
- Capt. H. W. Bayly, R.A.M.C.
- Lieut. W. A. Cochrane, R.A.M.C., attached Leicestershire Regiment.
- Lieut. J. N. Cruikshank, R.A.M.C., attached Liverpool Regiment.
- Lieut. T. M. Crawford, R.A.M.C.
- Capt. W. C. Stewart, R.A.M.C.
- Capt. B. N. Murphy, R.A.M.C., attached Coldstream Guards.
- Lieut. J. Oag, R.A.M.C., attached Manchester Regiment.
- Capt. O. A. Elliott, Canadian Army Medical Corps.
- Capt. W. R. Pagen, R.A.M.C., attached East Kent Regiment.
- Capt. E. R. Selby, Canadian Army Medical Corps, attached Canadian Infantry.

*Previously reported presumed Prisoner at Kut-el-Amara, now reported Prisoner in Turkish Hands.*

- Capt. L. Murphy, R.A.M.C.

## DEATHS AMONG THE SONS OF MEDICAL MEN.

The following sons of medical men must be added to our lists of those who have fallen during the war:—

- Second Lieut. C. T. Rennie, Leicestershire Regiment, son of Dr. G. E. Rennie, J.P., of Sydney, New South Wales.
- Lieut. G. J. R. Saunders, South Lancashire Regiment, attached Leicestershire Regiment, youngest son of Dr. E. A. Saunders, J.P., of Pembroke Dock, South Wales.
- Second Lieut. S. M. Scott, Coldstream Guards, younger and only surviving son of the late Mr. J. H. Scott, F.R.C.S.I., of Dublin.
- Capt. W. F. MacAlevey, R.A.M.C., son of Dr. W. C. MacAlevey, of Leicester.
- Lieut. M. Wheeler-O'Bryen, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, elder son of Dr. J. Wheeler-O'Bryen, of Sydenham, London, S.E.
- G. Addison, Canadian Expeditionary Force, eldest son of Dr. W. B. Addison, of the Scilly Isles.

HOSPITALS FOR WOUNDED OFFICERS.—A temporary hospital for officers, which after the war will be transferred to permanent quarters as a Russian Hospital in London, is to be opened in a house in South Audley-street, lent for the purpose by Sir Berkeley and Lady Sheffield. M. Mouravieff-Apostol and his wife are the donors of the new institution.—The Government has taken over possession of the Great Central Hotel, Marylebone, as a convalescent home for wounded officers. The building contains some 500 rooms.