

Nurses must not neglect this very valuable part of the treatment of the wounded, and the nerve-racked. They must add to their medical and surgical and midwifery nursing the art of massage and its attendant treatments. It is now intended to send on hospital ship staffs a very large proportion of nursing sisters with the massage qualification. Unfortunately, so far there is but one hospital in the Dominion which in the fourth year gives to its graduate nurses a full course of massage training. This will give to the graduate of that school a considerable advantage in being accepted for service. We hope that henceforward the larger schools of the Dominion will so arrange that their nurses may not be left at a disadvantage and that a number of

nurses each year will add the massage qualification to their general certificate, and thus be able to undertake any treatment ordered for their patients. It is hoped during this year to have the Bill for the Registration of Masseurs (including masseuses) passed by Parliament. In it is a provision for trained nurses to take this course in twelve months instead of the eighteen necessary for untrained men and women.

We strongly advise our young nurses to employ the year after qualification as nurses, until after which they are not eligible for the Army Nursing Service, in obtaining a twelve-months' course of massage training at a recognised school.

Notice

There is established in London a War Museum, which will comprise anything of interest in literature as well as, we presume, every sort of object in any way connected with the great war.

The secretary has expressed a desire to have a complete file of "Kai Tiaki" since August, 1914. We regret that, apart from the bound copies of the journal since its inauguration, we have not a complete file of this period. The following numbers are missing, and we would be extremely

obliged if subscribers possessing these would be kind enough to supply them: January, 1916; April, 1916; April, 1915; July, 1915.

It is a great compliment to the journal (which, thanks largely to the letters and papers sent by our nurses on active service, is a fairly comprehensive history of the part played by New Zealand nurses) that we should be invited to be represented in the War Museum.—Editor.

The Matron-in-Chief recently received a call from Miss Williams, who was the very kindly hostess at Barnstaple, of many of our nurses on active service, when needing rest and change. Miss Williams expressed her regret at having to give up the Barnstaple House and return to New Zealand, and made the very kind offer to receive any returned nurse as a guest in her home at Frimley, Hawke's Bay, for a rest and change.

The many letters received by the Matron-in-Chief from nurses staying at Barnstaple all show what a kind and sympathetic hostess Miss Williams had been, and this recent invitation will, we are sure, be very much appreciated. In New Zealand, of course, the nurses are near their homes and their people are eager to welcome them, so there may be few able to accept the kind invitation.