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OVERSEAS CHEVRONS.

Men and Women Eligible to Wear
New Award.

RED AND BLUE EMBROIDERIES.

London, 21 Dec.—An Army Order, issued last night, announced that the King had been graciously pleased to approve of the award of chevrons to denote service overseas undertaken since August 4, 1916.

Among those eligible to wear the award, in addition to officers and men of the Regular Army, Special Reserve and Territorial Force; officers, naval ratings and Royal Marines, of the Royal Naval Division; officers, soldiers and followers of the Indian Army and Indian Army Reserve, are:—

Officers and soldiers of Overseas Forces.

Native troops in East and West Africa.

Native Labour Corps.

Chinese Labour Corps.

Civilians attached to British forces in an official capacity.

Personnel of the Women's Legion, under War Office authority.

Members of Queen Alexandra's Military Nursing Service.

Retired members of the Army Nursing Service.

Overseas Nursing Services.

Members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

Members of officially-recognized Voluntary Aid Detachments.

Personnel working under the Joint War Committee of the British Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem and the St. Andrew's Ambulance Association.

The chevrons will be of two colours—red and blue.

Chevrons earned before December 31, 1914, will be red; earned on or before January 1, 1915, blue; all additional chevrons after the first, blue.

The chevrons, which will be of worsted embroidery, will be worn inverted on the right forearm. The red will appear below the blue.

They may be worn in plain clothes by retired officers, ex-officers, pensioners, ex-soldiers and others who would have been entitled to wear them on uniform if they had remained in the service.

The Mark of Honour.—The Army Council announce that discharged soldiers entitled to wear the gold braid wound distinction on uniform may, at their own option, continue to do so on plain clothes after discharge.

THE REV. DR. REXFORD

LECTURED ON JERUSALEM

A most interesting and instructive lecture was given in the Men's Mess on Thursday evening by the Rev. Dr. Rexford of Montreal. The lecture was illustrated with a number of beautifully coloured slides, many of which were taken by the Doctor on his visit to the Holy Land just prior to the outbreak of War.

The Doctor treated his lecture in a geographical and historical manner, taking his audience with him up the wonderful valley of the Jordan, 1400 feet below the level of the Mediterranean Sea; pointing out that this wonderful valley is the deepest cut on the world's face; some of the photos showing the nature of the country through which General Allenby had had to

take his army, and graphically bringing out the enormity of his task.

The beautiful slides showed many bits of Jerusalem; emphasized the customs and habits of its residents; and the lecturer pointed out something of the intensely interesting history of the place.

The audience was disgracefully small—but most appreciative—and we sincerely trust that those who didn't attend were heavily disappointed. The Doctor understands soldiers (and thus didn't give any surprise attack on religion!)—and it's the soldiers' loss not to understand the Doctor, who was introduced by Major the Rev. A. H. Moore.

We thank Dr. Rexford for his kindness in coming, and hope the small audience last Thursday night won't deter him from planning to come again. He is really a splendid speaker, and more men will certainly want to hear him next time than attended the other evening.

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