

LEICESTER NURSE AWARDED HIGH HONOUR

HER INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

A LEICESTER nurse has won one of the principal honours which can be obtained in the nursing profession.

Sister K. M. Whitsed, of Leicester Royal Infirmary, has been awarded an International Florence Nightingale Memorial post-graduate scholarship in the face of keen competition from nurses from all parts of the world.

This entitles Sister Whitsed to a year's training at Bedford College, London, in higher nursing and hospital administration. She is to start the course in August.

WILL RETURN TO INFIRMARY

Leicester Royal Infirmary is to benefit by her training and she has been given the time off to undertake her new studies. When the year's training is ended the Sister is to return to the Infirmary.

The nurses were judged on their educational achievements and hospital experience, their future ambitions in the nursing world being taken into consideration.

Sister Whitsed received the congratulations of 150 nurses from city hospitals who attended the Florence Nightingale birthday commemoration service at the Church of St. John the Divine yesterday. The service was conducted by Canon H. V. Williams, chaplain to the Infirmary.

STANDARD RAISED

Canon Williams in his sermon, described how Florence Nightingale raised the whole standard of nursing and reminded his congregation that before her time it was against the conventions for women to take up nursing.

It was largely Florence Nightingale's influence which had resulted in the



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establishment of the high prestige with which nurses were now regarded. The offertory was in aid of the Memorial Scholarships Fund.

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