

A PATRIOTIC FAMILY

Our respected townsman, Mr John Bray, of Bexhill and St Leonards, has a proud record. His son, Mr John Bray, jun., who is a sub-Lieutenant in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, is now with the Fleet. Recently Mr John Bray, jun., took a very active part in the mobilisation of the R.N.V.R. from Hastings and St Leonards, when the Chief Officer was temporarily away in Hampshire, and has since been at the Naval Barracks at Portsmouth.

Two of Mr Bray's daughters are members of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Order, and one (Miss Ethel Bray) is with the British Expeditionary Force on the Continent. The other (Miss Evelyn Bray) is at the Royal Herbert Hospital at Woolwich. These ladies are highly trained nurses, and Miss Ethel Bray has been in charge of a London hospital. Miss Mary Bray, another daughter, is also a nurse, and is going to Hampstead General Hospital, where they are making preparations to receive wounded soldiers.

Like Mr Bray's other four daughters, the three above named are all Miss Bathgate's old scholars at Wellington College, Hastings.

Mr John Bray's youngest son carries out a necessary duty by acting as night watchman at Bexhill Waterworks.

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