

men and women, not so much because of native gifts of leadership, as because of elevation of character, strong convictions and high purposes. In person and manner she is gentle and womanly, her voice sweet and feminine; but that she is an unusual, peculiar woman everyone feels who meets her. She is a law to her staff, and is worshipped by them. Her life has been devoted wholly to the highest objects; her heart has been single in the service of humanity; she has given time, health, and fortune without stint and without hope of earthly reward."

Appointments.

NURSE MATRON.

Miss C. LLOYD has been appointed nurse matron of the Knightsbridge Cottage Hospital, Devonshire. Miss Lloyd received her training at the Wellington Hospital, New Zealand, and subsequently, after some years of experience at the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Miss Lloyd has also had considerable experience in district and private nursing.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Miss S. E. POLDEN has been appointed second Assistant Matron at the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum. Miss Polden was trained at S. Bartholomew's Hospital, and acted as staff nurse there, after receiving her certificate. She then held temporarily the position of Assistant Matron at the Parkwood Convalescent Home, and during the present year has held the position of Night Sister at the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss LOYD, who has for the last four years been senior Queen's Nurse at Kettering, has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Brighton, Hove and Preston Nursing Association. The Kettering Committee, under whom Miss Loyd has worked, have expressed great regret at losing her services, and have presented her with a valuable memento of their regard.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss ANNIE M. MURRAY has been appointed Night Superintendent on the female side of the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum. For the last seven years Miss Murray has held the position of Sister in the Army Nursing Service.

SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

Miss ESTHER A. HIND has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at the City of London Union Infirmary, Bow. Miss Hind received her training at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, and the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury, and subsequently acted as staff nurse at King's College Hospital, and sister at the Women's Hospital, Soho Square. She has also held the position of matron of the Hulme District Nurses' Home, and the Tunbridge Wells Homœopathic Hospital. Miss Hind is a Registered Nurse.

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THE Quarterly Meeting of the General Council was held on Friday, April 15th, at 5 p.m., at 11 Chandos Street, Cavendish Square. Mr. Pick took the chair, supported on the platform by Mr. Langton and Mr. Fardon. As usual, it was noticeable that many of the nurses present wore the Middlesex Hospital uniform, and with the exception of Mrs. Okell there were no matrons of important institutions present. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed Mr. John Langton read the following Financial Report:—"The Hon. Treasurer regrets that he is unable to forward to the members of the council the audited balance sheet for the year preceding March 31st, 1898, owing to the unavoidable absence from London of the auditor of the corporation." The financial statement for the past year was, however, laid before the council by the Hon. Treasurer, showing the expenditure and receipts for the past year. The accounts had not been signed by the auditor, and, therefore, it will be better not to quote the figures given by Mr. Langton. But, briefly, the accounts showed that the Association began the year with a balance of £144 and ended with a balance of £4, to which Mr. Langton had added a loan or a gift of £100. There were, however, debts to the amount of about £140. The adoption of the Treasurer's report having been proposed and seconded, Dr. Bedford Fenwick pointed out that the figures meant that the Association was still impecunious and was still spending far more than its income. The Report was then adopted.

Mr. Edward Fardon, Hon. Medical Secretary, read the following report: "The Executive Committee beg to report that 34 nurses have been registered in the last three months, 27 members have been elected, five have withdrawn, and 2 have died. The Bye-Laws passed at the General Meeting on December 17th, 1897, were submitted for the approval of the Privy Council in due course. Several petitions have been presented to the Privy Council against these Bye-Laws, to which replies have been made. A communication from the Privy Council, dated March 29th, has now been received and laid before the Executive Committee. In this reply, the Privy Council indicate some particulars in which an alteration will be necessary, and these alterations will be laid before the Association as soon as possible. It will be necessary that another General Meeting should be held to sanction any alteration before the Bye-Laws are again submitted to the Privy Council for

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