

## Appointments.

### LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

MISS MOTTRAM, Superintendent of Nurses at the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Kent Nursing Institution at Tunbridge Wells, and on leaving Glasgow was presented with a handsome silver Queen Anne tea-set by the nursing staff; she was also the recipient of several presents from individual friends, in appreciation of her work during the last eight-and-a-half years. We wish Miss Mottram success and happiness in her new sphere; her experience in a school so well organised and high in tone as the "Royal" Glasgow, will be of the utmost value to the Institution to which she has been appointed Superintendent.

### MATRONS.

MISS KATE E. NORMAN has been appointed Sister Matron to the Royal Eye Hospital, Southwark, S. E. She was trained at the London Hospital, and has held the post of Sister for two years at the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, Moorfields, where she has obtained the special experience of ophthalmic nursing, which qualifies her for her new position. We are glad to observe more and more, that in selecting Matrons for special hospitals, committees require the candidate not only to hold a three years' certificate of general training, but that they shall also possess special knowledge of the branch of nursing they will be required to superintend. This is a most wise demand.

MISS MACDONALD has been appointed Matron of the Hospital for Incurables, Manchester. She was trained at the Longmore Hospital for Incurables, Edinburgh, and has held the post of Charge Nurse at the Edinburgh City Hospital, and was also Head Nurse at Walmersley House. Miss Macdonald succeeds as Matron Miss Galloway, lately deceased.

### SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

MISS SARAH CAFFEY has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at the Leavesden Asylum. Miss Caffey was trained at Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Dublin, from 1887 to 1891, and has held the position of Charge Nurse at the Park Fever Hospital, Hither Green.

### CHARGE NURSE.

MISS MARGARET OAKLEY has been appointed Charge Nurse at the Chelsea Hospital for Women, Fulham. She was trained at the District Hospital, Great Grimsby, and has held the post of Ward and Theatre Sister at the General Hospital, Worcester.

## Nursing Politics.

### A "BLAZING INDISCRETION."

THERE has been quite a little flutter in medical dovecots over Miss Entwistle's report of the Annual Meeting of the Anti-Vivisection Society, which appeared in the last issue of the *Nurses' Journal*, and it is reported that a stricter medical censorship over matter to appear in that publication is to be established in the future, than was even threatened by Mr. Fardon in his famous "suppress" paragraph.

MISS ENTWISTLE, who, with Miss Foggo-Thompson, has been deputed by Mr. Fardon to represent the views of the nursing profession on the Editorial Committee of the "officials' organ," had the temerity to write as follows:—

"This Society has somewhat altered its programme, which to most minds will render it a more useful organization. The meeting held at the end of May in St. Martin's Hall was largely attended by members and friends. I think anything that prevents this horrible cutting into living animals, and dissecting them alive, without proper anæsthetics, will meet with the approval and support of Nurses. It has always been a woman's province to oppose cruelty; and men in a body, left to themselves, without the softening effects of womanly influence, and lead (*sic*) away by their keenness for science, are apt to be cruel. One of the ablest speeches made at the meeting was by Lady Pender, a lady who has the good of the animal world so much at heart that, with great truth, she told the audience she had never known happiness since she first became acquainted with the horrors practised in the vivisection rooms. She urged that these operations should be properly inspected, instead of allowing them to be done in secrecy. The public ought to be admitted on application. She asked her audience to assist in stopping this cruel work, for if the public voice only spoke out strong enough, our legislators would be compelled to listen, and to take the matter in hand. Others, speaking to the same point, said the work of the Society not only endeavoured to stop the abuse of animals, but also promoted the elevation of humanity."

THOSE who know the true inwardness of the R.B.N.A. tactics can imagine (and not without a smile) Sir Dyce Duckworth, Sir James Crichton Browne & Co., discussing this "blazing indiscretion" at one of those notorious little gatherings at which the "smashing the matrons" and "suppression" policies were evolved and decided upon. The "smashers" will still find the "R.B.N.A. a veritable Thorne in their flesh. They have eliminated the women with position and with brains, and will find to their cost that irresponsible frivolity and foolishness are dangerous tools to play with,

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