

MISS E. MARION HOWELL has been appointed Matron of the Leavesden Asylum for Imbeciles. Miss Howell was trained at the General Hospital, Bristol, from 1887 to 1890, and has held the posts of Night Superintendent at the Clayton Hospital, Wakefield, from 1893 to 1896, Assistant Head Nurse at the County Asylum, Devizes, from 1896 to 1897, and is at present Head Nurse at the Cheshire County Asylum, Parkside, Macclesfield.

It is extremely satisfactory that the Matronships of Asylums for the Imbecile under the control of the Metropolitan Asylums Board are being filled by thoroughly qualified nurses.

MISS E. J. RAE has been appointed Matron of the Woodilee Asylum, Lenzie, N.B. Miss Rae received her training at the Westminster Hospital, and subsequently held the appointment of Home Sister at the Brompton Hospital, and of Matron of the District Nursing Home, Liverpool.

We regret that in specifying the training and experience of the Sisters selected for service in the Military Hospital at Athens, that we omitted to mention that both Miss Jessie Smith and Miss Franghiadi held the position for some months of Sister at the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum, where the experience gained in training Probationers, and Sick Ward management will, no doubt, prove of the utmost value to them in their new sphere of work in Greece. Miss Smith and Miss Franghiadi have, this week, obtained the certificate of the London Obstetrical Society.

DURING the past year the New York City Training School for Nurses has suffered the loss of two hospital Superintendents, owing to ill-health, Miss Louise Darche and Miss Diana Kimber.

To fill these much-regretted vacancies Miss Mary S. Gilmour, who had been in the department for more than two years as head nurse and supervising nurse, and for three months as assistant superintendent to Miss Kimber, was appointed superintendent; and Miss Theodora Le Febvre, who had been for the past year superintendent of the training school at Yonkers, her assistant superintendent. It was also thought best to divide the responsibility and labour, incident to the management of the female and male training schools; by giving the latter a separate superintendent, and Miss J. Amanda Silver, who had been for four years supervising nurse of the male school, was appointed to the new position. Upon the resignations of the two night nurses at Fordham Hospital being received, which positions had been held by graduates from other training schools, it has been thought advisable to appoint pupil-nurses from the home school to fill the vacancies, a step which has met with most gratifying results.

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WE have before us a copy of the second edition of the "Two Lectures to the Nurses of the London Hospital," delivered in December of last year by the Chairman, the Hon. Sydney Holland. That these lectures should already be in the third thousand is a proof that they have attained the popularity which they most assuredly merit. We hope that the Chairmen of other hospitals will be inspired by Mr. Sydney Holland's success, to establish personal relations with the nursing staffs of the hospitals over which they preside, but we are inclined to think—however it may be with nurses—that chairmen are born not made, and it will not be easy to acquire the deep sympathy with, and knowledge of, the work of nurses which pervades Mr. Holland's booklet, and makes it so attractive, or to adopt so felicitous a method of imparting home truths as that which seems to come naturally to the Chairman of the London. The lectures which should be read by every nurse may be obtained from Messrs. Whitehead, Morris, and Company, Limited, 9, Fenchurch Street, price 6d. each or, 5/- a dozen.

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WE beg to acknowledge, with thanks, a cheque for £1 1s., as an annual subscription from Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild for Sir Julian Goldsmid's Home of Rest for Nurses at Brighton. During the past two months the Home has been full, and visitors have enjoyed beautiful weather; but Brighton is most delightful from now till Christmas.

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THE Countess of Leicester lately presided at an influential meeting convened by herself, and held at the Shire Hall, Norwich, to consider the best means of starting a county scheme for nursing the sick poor in their own homes. Lady Leicester said they had all experienced the great and inestimable comfort of a good nurse in times of sickness, and it was a recognised fact that as many lives were saved by good nursing as by good doctoring. Miss Buxton, hon. secretary, described what had already been done to further the movement in Norfolk, and Miss Dean Pitt explained the working of nursing associations on the lines of the Holt-Ockley system. It was resolved, on the motion of Lady Leicester, seconded by Lady Louisa

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