

a deranged nervous system. 2. It is indicated in all cases where abdominal pain is present. 3. In all cases of acute and chronic diarrhoea. 4. In hæmorrhage from the stomach and intestines. 5. In all cases of moveable or floating kidney. 6. In all tubercular cases suffering from disturbed digestion, be it stomach or intestine, and especially those that have a vacillating temperature record, and as there are but few cases of tuberculosis that do not suffer from some form of gastro-intestinal disorders, the rest cure is indicated in 50 per cent. of all cases of tuberculosis. Not only are they relieved from their annoying digestive symptoms, but their general condition markedly improves. 7. I have yet to learn of a disease of the gastro-intestinal tract, where the rest treatment is contraindicated.

POISON IN POTTERY.

Those who have witnessed the intense suffering endured by the victims of lead poisoning, and trained nurses are amongst this number, must take the deepest interest in any efforts for the amelioration of their condition. The Home Office is proposing to issue new special rules controlling the manufacture of pottery, and last Saturday concluded its case in support of these rules before an Arbitration Court held at Stoke, in Staffordshire, when evidence was also taken from manufacturers who are opposed to the proposed rules.

Amongst the evils frequently contracted by workpeople employed in potteries where the ordinary lead glaze is used are lead colic, which is characterized by excruciating abdominal pain, lead palsy, with its characteristic wrist drop, and in the more advanced stages epileptiform convulsions, optic neuritis, paralysis, delirium, and mania.

In support of the rules proposed by the Home Office Miss Anderson, the principal lady inspector of factories, maintained the necessity for much more complete protection of workpeople.

The consensus of opinion on the part of large manufacturers was that the employment of fritted lead and leadless glaze did not yield successful results, and that to use a glaze containing lead of a solubility of 2 per cent., as proposed by the Home Office, would mean they would have to give up much of their business.

The Court decided that the rules as to sanitary and structural alterations should come into operation without delay, and that those referring to "fritting," and the solubility of lead should be postponed.

Appointments.

MATRON.

Miss Alexander has been appointed Matron of the Blackheath and Charlton Hospital, she was trained at Charing Cross Hospital, where she subsequently held successively the posts of Ward Sister, Theatre Sister, and Home Sister. She at present holds the position of Assistant Matron at the Royal Infirmary, Sheffield.

Miss Marjory Sutherland has been appointed Matron of the Royal Eye Hospital, Manchester. She was trained at the Newport and Monmouth Hospital, and subsequently held the position of Sister at the Manchester Royal Eye Hospital until January last, since when she has been Assistant Matron at the Birmingham and Midland Counties Training Institution for Nurses.

Miss Peebles has been appointed Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Stirling. She was trained and certificated at the Royal Infirmary, Dundee, where she subsequently held the position of Head Nurse in both medical and surgical wards. There were 69 applicants for the post.

Miss P. J. Brady has been appointed Nurse Matron at the Cottage Hospital, Pembroke. She received her training at the Paddington Infirmary, and for the last eight years has acted as Staff Nurse at the Hospital, Stratford-on-Avon.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Emily Mearns has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill. She received her training at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Aberdeen, and has held the post of Charge Nurse at the Northern Hospital for some years.

Miss Clara Marriott has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum. She was trained and certificated at this institution, where she has also held the positions of Staff Nurse and Sister.

HOUSEKEEPER.

Miss Susan Milne has been appointed Housekeeper at the Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill. She was trained at the North Riding Infirmary, Middlesborough, and for some years acted successively as Staff Nurse and Sister at the Southwark Infirmary, and until recently as Night Superintendent at the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum.

SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

Miss Marguerite E. Oakey has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at the Cheltenham Union Infirmary. For five years she held the position of Sister at the General Infirmary, Worcester, and for two years that of Sister at the New Infirmary, Birmingham.

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