

ordinary nursing home, and to defray the expense of medical attendance during a long illness. Presiding at a banquet at the Hotel Cecil last week on behalf of the school, Mr. Chamberlain, in making an appeal for £100,000, said that his interest in the great question of preventive medicine was unabated, and he considered it a privilege as well as a duty to be associated with it. It was a duty which we owed to Empire, and from which we could not divest ourselves, whatever our political opinions might be.

It was a duty which had increased in recent years with the continual extension of our territory, with the increase of our scientific knowledge, and with the awakening of our Imperial conscience. Referring to the good work done under the British flag in new protectorates and spheres of influence, the speaker said that these miracles had been wrought by a handful of men, mostly very young, who had suddenly to face great responsibilities and every problem of statesmanship. They had risen to the occasion with courage, resolution and resource, and shown that they still possessed the qualities which in the past had made our nation great. We who remained at home, who profited by their services, surely owed them something. They had to meet new conditions of unknown disease, of climate hitherto so fatal to Europeans. Some sacrifice of life must be faced, but it would be pitiable, it would be shameful, if we allowed such sacrifices to increase for want of any preventive precautions on our part. Our first duty was to reduce to the utmost the blood tribute which we paid to the Empire. He therefore pleaded for sympathy with those workers who had done so much to secure renown for the Empire, and who had contributed, and were contributing, to its happiness and welfare.

The result of the appeal was that subscriptions and donations amounting to over £10,000 were received during the evening.

#### THE TSETSE FLY.

It is announced that the bacteriologists of the Pasteur Institute at Paris have succeeded in isolating the microbe which the tsetse fly introduces by its bite, with such disastrous result, into the blood of horses and cattle in South Africa. It is hoped that a means may thus be now discovered of rendering these animals immune; if so, the discovery is of great value.

## Appointments.

### MATRONS.

Miss Helen L. Pearse has been appointed Matron of the Great Northern Hospital, N. After some previous experience in the provinces, she was trained and certificated at St. Bartholomew's Hospital from 1894 to 1898. She was then appointed Assistant Matron at the Lambeth Infirmary, and in 1901 Superintendent of Nurses at the North Staffordshire Infirmary and Eye Hospital, Hartsbill, Stoke-on-Trent. Miss Pearse is a member of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses.

Miss M. F. May has been appointed Matron of the Royal Hospital for Diseases of the Chest, City Road, E.C. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and has held the position of Lady Superintendent of the Grosvenor Hospital for Women, Acting Matron of the East Suffolk and Ipswich Hospital, Matron of the Bridgwater Infirmary, and Matron of the Anglo American Hospital, Cairo. She is a member of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland.

Miss Jessie Allan has been appointed Nurse Matron of the Infectious Hospital, Willesborough. She was trained at University College Hospital, London, and acted as Sister in South Africa during the war, and has held the position of Sister of Enteric Wards in the Corporation Sanatorium, Lancaster.

### LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Elizabeth Woods has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Auxiliary Workhouse (Sanatorium) known as "The Abbey," at Whiteabbey, co. Antrim. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, and has held the position of Sister at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, where she had charge of consumptive patients undergoing open-air treatment on a balcony. She has recently been engaged in private nursing abroad.

### NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Maude Mary Butt has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Royal United Hospital, Bath. She was trained at the Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester, in connection with which she subsequently did private nursing. She has also been for six months Staff Nurse at the New Hospital for Women, Euston Road, and Matron's *Locum Tenens* at the Farnham Isolation Hospital. In addition to her general training, Miss Butt holds the certificates of the Central Midwives' Board, the British Gynaecological Society (for Gynaecological Nursing), the City of London Lying-in Hospital, and a certificate for massage and electricity.

### SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

Miss Alice M. F. Barton has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at the Home of the Blean Union Infirmary near Herne Bay. She was trained at the Wandsworth Infirmary.

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