

Appointments.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Cama Hospital, Bombay.—Miss M. Hilson has been appointed Lady Superintendent at the Cama Hospital, Bombay. She was trained at the London Hospital, E., and has held the position of Lady Superintendent at the Ramsay Hospital, Naini Tal, North-West Provinces, India.

Chelsea Hospital for Women.—Miss E. C. Laurence, R.R.C., has been appointed Matron of the Hospital for Women, Chelsea, S.W. She was trained as a Lady Pupil at Guy's Hospital, afterwards holding the position of Sister. In 1900 she joined the Army Nursing Service Reserve, and was appointed Superintendent of the Princess Christian Hospital at Pinetown, Natal, receiving subsequently the Royal Red Cross and the South African War Medal. She has also been Matron of the Victoria Hospital, Keighley, and Assistant Matron at Guy's Hospital.

MATRON.

Convalescent Home, Hunstanton.—Miss Elène Traiforos has been appointed Matron of the Convalescent Home, Hunstanton, Norfolk. She was trained at the Victoria Hospital, Burnley, and has held the position of Night Sister, Day Sister, and Assistant Superintendent at the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, Matron for five years of the Memorial Hospital, Mirfield, and since May, 1901, Matron of the General Infirmary, Macclesfield. There were nearly 400 candidates for the post.

SISTERS.

Norfolk and Norwich Hospital.—Miss Edith Grocott has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, and has held the position of Sister at the General Hospital, Northampton.

CHARGE NURSE.

Fever Hospital, Birkenhead.—Miss H. M. Perkins has been appointed Charge Nurse. She was trained at the Ingham Infirmary, South Shields.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Miss E. Myers has been appointed Superintendent of the Sheffield District Nursing Association affiliated to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. Miss Myers was appointed a Queen's Nurse in January, 1894, and since October, 1898, has held the post of Assistant District Superintendent at the Scottish Central District Training Home in Edinburgh.

Miss Helen Clayton has been appointed Superintendent of the Kensington District Nursing Association affiliated to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. Miss Clayton was appointed a Queen's Nurse in January, 1896, and has been Superintendent of the Queen's Nurses' Homes in Darlington and Southampton.

Miss Amelia Holbrook has been appointed Superintendent of the Lincolnshire Nursing Association in affiliation with the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. Miss Holbrook was appointed a Queen's Nurse in January, 1899, holding various posts under the Institute. She is at present Superintendent of the Stockport Nursing Association.

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The Thirty-first Annual Report of the Trained Nurses' Annuity Fund, which at present grants fourteen annuities of £17 per annum to worn-out trained nurses, records the irreparable loss to the Fund of the death of its founder, Lady Bloomfield. At the same time it announces that a memorial annuity has been raised of £500, subscribed by many relations and friends in remembrance of the work which she initiated, thus making the fourteenth annuity secured by investments. That such annuities are needed is undoubted. To take the case only of the first "Lady Bloomfield Annuitant." She had five years' training and nursed in hospitals for twelve years. For the last thirteen years she has been quite unable to work owing to sciatica and wasting muscles. The Council of the Fund have many cases just as urgent on their waiting list. The hon. secretary is Dr. Ogier Ward, 73, Cheapside, E.C., by whom financial assistance will be gladly received, and from whom further information can be obtained.

Infantile mortality is at last touching the conscience of the community, and from reliable statistics, it is time we aroused ourselves on the matter. The Medical Officer of Health for the City (Dr. W. Collingridge) in a report to the City Corporation on the high rate of mortality among infants throughout the country, and the organised efforts that are being made to check the evil, states that Miss Pole, one of the women sanitary inspectors for the City, who has had previous experience in the work, has undertaken the duty of visiting all houses where births have been notified by the registrars, and also those where deaths of children under one year of age have occurred. The main object of these visits is to impress upon mothers the great advantage of breast feeding as compared with hand feeding. It has been shown that in some large towns the mortality during the first year of life among breast-fed infants was only about one-third of that among hand-fed children.

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