

Appointments.

MATRON.

Gordon Hospital, London.—Miss Ida Mackintosh has been appointed Matron at the Gordon Hospital, Vauxhall Bridge Road, London. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Sunderland, and has held the position of Matron at the Victoria Cottage Hospital, Ascot, and has been Matron of the Elder Hospital, Glasgow, the Queen's Jubilee Hospital, Fulham Road, and the Brompton Hospital Sanatorium, Primley. She has also had experience of District Nursing in connection with the North London Nursing Association.

SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

Liberton Cottage Hospital.—Sister Munro has been appointed in charge of the Liberton Cottage Hospital, recently opened by the Earl of Dalkeith as a country annexe of the Longmore Hospital for Incurables, Edinburgh. Miss Marr, of the Longmore Hospital, will act as General Superintendent. The hospital contains 26 beds, and has cost £20,000.

SISTERS.

The Infirmary, Rotherham.—Miss Stansfield has been appointed Sister at the Rotherham Infirmary. She was trained at the Bury Infirmary, and has held the positions of Staff Nurse at the Accident Hospital, Barry Dock, Staff Nurse at the Royal Chest Hospital, London, and Sister at the Bury Infirmary.

Huddersfield Infirmary.—Miss Alice Ryley has been appointed Sister at the Huddersfield Infirmary. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, and has held the position of Sister at the Bury Infirmary.

NIGHT SISTER.

Heart Hospital, London.—Miss Alice Stevens has been appointed Night Sister at the National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart, Soho Square, W. She received her training at the General Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, and at St. William's Hospital, Rochester. She has also held the positions of Staff Nurse at the Ruchill Hospital, Glasgow, and of Nurse-matron at the Smallpox Hospital, Rochester.

TEACHER OF MASSAGE.

St. Thomas' Hospital.—Miss Mary Marks has been appointed Teacher of Massage to the nursing staff at St. Thomas' Hospital. Miss Marks, who is a masseuse of much experience, was trained at St. Thomas' Hospital. She was at one time on the staff of the Nurses' Co-operation, New Cavendish Street, but for years past has devoted herself entirely to the practice of massage, in which she is very proficient.

The Tea Habit.

The "tea habit" is one to which nurses are specially prone and it is well, therefore, to remember that while freshly made tea taken in moderation is a pleasant and harmless stimulant, the worst qualities of the leaves are thoroughly extracted when the pot stands for any length of time on the hob. The effect on the general health of drinking systematically the pernicious brew is most harmful, and the result much resembles that produced by the alcoholic habit.

Nursing Echoes.

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The Nurses of the North London Nursing Association are doing excellent work under the able superintendence of Miss Meyer, in homes where too often the conditions of poverty are distressing, and where the standard of cleanliness leaves much to be desired. Not only are they able to render valuable help to the sick, but the lessons which they inculcate during their visits are not lost, and if they return to the homes of convalescent patients after the lapse of a few weeks it is often to find improved conditions of health, cleanliness, and comfort. It would be disastrous if a lack of funds impeded or curtailed this good work, yet there is some danger that the present staff of twelve nurses cannot be maintained if the Association does not receive more financial support. With the object of defraying a debt of about £230 a ball was given last week at the Grafton Galleries, when nearly four hundred tickets were sold.

The Hon. Nina Kay-Shuttleworth, 28, Princes Gardens, who organised the gathering, received donations for the association from the Marquis of Northampton and others interested who were unable to attend, and she will be grateful for any money sent to her in support of this good work.

Nurses can do a great work by impressing upon mothers the danger to their children of accidents from fire, and the loss of life which frequently ensues from the neglect of precautions in this respect. Those in out-patient departments, and district nurses in their visits to the homes of the poor, have excellent opportunities for driving home this lesson. Its necessity has been impressed upon us from the fact that of 829 cases of accident admitted to the General Infirmary, Leeds, no less than 95 were burns and scalds, 57 being children and 38 adults. Cheap flannelette, which is so often used for children's garments and is highly inflammable, is no doubt responsible for a proportion of these cases, but the unpro-

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