

man. For the preservation of the health of the men it is considered most desirable that the request of the commanding officer of the 'Tennessee' to have trays placed on the scuttle butts to hold an antiseptic solution, and drinking cups, be complied with."

**Electric Signal for Wet Diapers.** At the Exhibition of Hygiene recently held at Vienna, a practical device to aid in the care of

infants, the invention of Professor Pflaunder, was shown. It is an electric contrivance with dry elements and a small wire pad. The latter is placed in the child's diaper. As soon as the diaper becomes wet the circuit is closed and an electric bell rings until dry conditions are restored.

**Fresh Air at Night.** Dr. Jacobi, as quoted by the *New York State Journal of Medicine*, says:—"A grave danger to adults and children,

mainly the latter, are our bed-rooms. Indeed, my friend Biermer, late professor in Zurich and Breslau, called tuberculosis a bed-room disease. With what right? A baby is at least sixteen hours a day in that narrow, confined, airless, windowless bed-room; a child at least ten or fourteen hours, the greater part of its young life. The air is the reverse of what it should be to protect blood formation, circulation and digestion. What can be done to improve it to a certain extent? Some window should be open all night and day. If there be none in the bed-room there is one in the adjoining front room or the kitchen at the rear."

**Composition of Ice.** The *Journal of the American Medical Association*, in a synopsis of a paper in a French Medical journal, says: "Sacerdote has

found that as water freezes slowly all the impurities are pushed away from the first part freezing. The centre of a cake of artificial ice is generally opaque, while the part first frozen—the outside—is generally clear. Whatever the character of the water used, the water obtained by melting the outer, clear parts, is almost perfectly pure, while that from the central opaque parts contains the impurities. The bacteria do not escape this law," he adds, "but will be found congregated in the central part of the cake."

## General Medical Council Election.

As we go to press we learn that the result of the voting for the election of Direct Representatives of the medical profession of England on the General Medical Council has been as follows:—

DR. LANGLEY BROWNE	...	4,861
DR. MACMANUS	...	4,286
DR. LATIMER	...	4,002
Mr. George Jackson	...	3,985
Mr. George Brown	...	3,773
Mr. Joseph Smith	...	2,480
Dr. F. J. Smith	...	2,013
Dr. Broadbent	...	1,785
Dr. Renshaw	...	1,088
Dr. Rhodes	...	855

The first three, therefore, were elected. We are

very pleased to be able to congratulate Dr. Langley Browne in the name of the nursing profession in this country, for his assistance to the cause of Registration has, as our readers know, been most valuable.

## Appointments.

### LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

**Salisbury Hostel and Maternity Hospital, Rhodesia.**—Miss E. M. Halliwell has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the above. Miss Halliwell was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne. She has also served in South Africa as a Sister of the Army Nursing Service Reserve, and for the last three years has been Matron of the Samaritan Hospital for Women, Liverpool. Miss Halliwell holds the Certificates of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses, the British Gynaecological Society, the London Obstetrical Society, and is a certified midwife. She is also a Member of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland.

### MATRON.

**Ear and Throat Hospital, Brighton.**—Miss Mabel Ogden has been appointed Matron. She received her training at the Leicester Infirmary, where she has also held the appointments of Ward Sister and Housekeeping Sister. She has also held the positions of temporary Matron at Bourton Cottage Hospital and of Sister of a women's surgical ward at University College Hospital, Gower Street, W. C.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.**—Miss Jeffrey has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, where she has held the position of Night Matron.

### ASSISTANT LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

**Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.**—Miss Jane Bell has been appointed Senior Assistant Lady Superintendent. She was trained at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, New South Wales, where she has held the positions of Night Superintendent and Housekeeper. She has also been Matron and Superintendent of Nurses at the Brisbane Hospital, Queensland. She is a Member of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland.

### SISTERS.

**Ladies' Charity and Lying-in Hospital, Liverpool.**—Miss Edith Kirk has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Infirmary, Birmingham, where she has also acted as Sister. She is a certified Midwife.

**Crumpsall Infirmary, Manchester.**—Miss P. A. Hall has been appointed Ward Sister at Crumpsall Infirmary in which institution she received her training.

**Orthopedic Hospital, Redland, Bristol.**—Miss Amy Robinson has been appointed Sister. She received her training at St. George's Hospital, Hyde Park Corner, and the Fever Hospital, Brighouse. She has also had experience in district nursing at Middlesbrough, and has held the position of staff nurse at the Corbett Hospital, Stourbridge.

### NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

**Crumpsall Infirmary, Manchester.**—Miss Lucy Bentley has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at the Crumpsall Infirmary, has held the post of Ward Sister there.

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