

SCOTLAND.

M. G. Bathgate, B. Breck, J. Bruce, M. Farquhar, E. Macleay, M. McRobbie, C. T. Mitchell, A. M. Morrison, A. Roles, M. B. White, J. O. Wood, E. C. Young, M. L. Dalglish.

IRELAND.

M. Corcoran, K. C. Joyce, A. Mallow, C. E. Mulcahy, J. G. Kramer, M. C. Willomse.

TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.—Miss Darrah to Southampton as Superintendent; Miss A. C. Clarke has been appointed Assistant Superintendent at Gloucester; Miss Kate Badcock to Sick Room Helps Society, East London; Miss Eliza E. Birnie, to Heywood; Miss Rhoda Christey, to Plaistow; Miss Lindora L. Eskell, to Bridge; Miss Rhoda Howard, to Norton-in-the-Moors; Miss Margaret Hyndman, to Hammersmith; Miss Margaret Milne, to Widnes (temp.); Miss Margaret Roberts, to Hazel Grove; Miss Florence R. Spindler, to Swansea; Miss Catherine E. Staniland, to Birmingham (Newhall Street); Miss Lucy E. Way, to Kenilworth (temp.); Miss Emily F. T. Whatham, to Selsey (temp.); Miss Amelia A. Whitman, to Plaistow; Miss Agnes Williams, to Swansea.

EXAMINATIONS IN MASSAGE AND ELECTRICITY.

A course of 13 lectures and demonstrations on medical electricity has recently been held at the Nurses' Bureau, 86, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin, by Miss L. L. Despard, member of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses. At the conclusion of the course, which lasted 6 weeks, an examination was held by Dr. William S. Haughton, visiting surgeon, Steeven's Hospital, a specialist in X Ray work, and a frequent contributor of articles on the subject to the medical journals. The examination was written, oral, and practical, on the application of the galvanic battery and Faradic coil. The knowledge of the candidates was also tested in the construction and the care of the electric apparatus. Twelve candidates presented themselves for examination and passed in the following order:—A. W. D. Casserley, M. Geoghegan, M. Butterley and E. Hanan (equal), E. Masterson, A. Gage, M. Arnold, H. Egan, M. Rutherford, K. A. Allman, M. White, E. Patten.

Ten of the above hold the certificate of the I.S.T.M. It is hoped that these lectures may be given annually as a fitting sequel to the examinations of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses in Dublin. L. V. HAUGHTON.

EXAMINATION OF NURSES.**KINGSTON UNION INFIRMARY.**

The following list of nurses at the Kingston Infirmary, who have just passed the examination conducted by an independent examiner, has been supplied by him to the Guardians as follows:—

First Class: Nurses Fraser, Johnson, and Griggs. *Passed:* Nurses Colwill, Redfern, Norris, and Humphries. The nurses maintained the high degree of efficiency which characterises the training and teaching at the Infirmary.

JAMES CANTLIE, M.B., F.R.C.S., D.P.H.,
Examiner.

Nursing Echoes.

In the Foreign Letter which we publish on page 358, Miss L. L. Dock announces that a Nurses' Session is to be held in connection with the International Tuberculosis Congress at Washington in September. Miss M. A. Nutting has been appointed Chairman of the Special Nurses' Session, and Miss Dock Hon. Secretary,

so its success is a foregone conclusion, as professional knowledge and ability, and an unlimited capacity for hard work, characteristic of both the officials appointed, form a combination which surmounts all difficulties.

Hot water bottles again! An inquest was held on Saturday on the body of an infant seven months old, who died in a London Infirmary from the effects of scalds received. The mother stated that when she went to visit the deceased she was informed that he was dead, and the doctor told her that the nurse had put a hot water bottle in the bed, the cork was loose, and the child was scalded. The witness stated she thought there must be great neglect for this to occur.

The nurse said that she asked a woman to put the bottle on the bed, but she put it inside. She had not discovered the mistake till some hours after, when she found the child severely scalded, and the skin off its right side. In reply to a question from the Coroner, the nurse stated that the woman who placed the bottle in the bed was known as "deaffy." She was also dumb. One of the jury expressed the opinion that the case was one of neglect, which required further investigation, and the inquiry was adjourned.

Accidents as a result of scalding, or burning, with hot water bottles are recorded with painful frequency, and it is certain that many occur which do not find their way into the press. A recent case within our own knowledge is that of a patient who was successfully operated on in a nursing home for appendicitis, but was burned by a hot water bottle, so that there was a raw wound on his leg nearly six inches in length. This necessitated an extra eight weeks' stay in the home, for which the unfortunate relatives had to pay full fees. In view of the constant accidents—usually, it must be owned, due to carelessness—which occur, the custom of a well-known

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