

Appointments.

MATRONS.

Cheadle Isolation Hospital.—Miss Ethel Andrews has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Birmingham Union Infirmary, and at the Fever Hospital, Middlesbro', and has since held the position of Ward Sister and Home Sister at Leeds Union Infirmary.

Bournemouth Corporation Hospital for Infectious Diseases ("Sanitary Hospital").—Miss M. G. Currie has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and has also been Matron of the Burgh Hospital, Airdrie, and of the Isolation Hospital, Crewe.

Bruncliffe Isolation Hospital.—Miss M. Collins has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Salford Union Infirmary, and has been Staff Nurse at the Birkdale Isolation Hospital.

Ashburton and Buckfastleigh Cottage Hospital.—Miss Gertrude Button has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Wandsworth Infirmary, London, was for two years at the Surgical Hospital, Much Wenlock, and for eighteen months was Matron at the Cottage Hospital, Brackley, Northamptonshire.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

St. George's Hospital, London, W.—Miss E. S. Watson, who has been Night Sister, has been appointed Assistant Matron.

HOME SISTER.

St. George's Hospital, London, W.—Miss A. C. Knaggs has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the Leicester Infirmary, and had charge as Superintendent during the South African War of No. 5 Stationary Hospital for three years. Miss Knaggs was awarded the decoration of the Royal Red Cross.

SISTERS.

St. George's Hospital, London, W.—Miss Watts, Sister of Princess Ward, has been appointed House-keeping Sister, and the following ladies have been appointed Sisters of Ward:—Miss Hunt to Winchester Ward, Miss Ellen Brown to Wellington Ward, and Miss Nash to the Ophthalmic Wards. We are indebted to *St. George's Hospital Gazette* for this information.

London Hospital, E.—Miss Valerie Graham has been appointed Sister of the "Marie Celeste" Maternity Ward. She has worked in the maternity district in connection with the London Hospital, and her place will be filled by Miss Saddler.

SCHOOL NURSE.

Gloucestershire Education Committee.—Miss M. E. W. Powell has been appointed School Nurse under the Gloucestershire Education Committee. She was trained at the Lambeth Infirmary, and has worked as a Queen's Nurse at Bermondsey and at Gotherington, near Cheltenham.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

The undermentioned ladies to be Staff Nurses (provisionally):—Miss Gwendoline Edith Browning, dated July 6th, 1908. Miss Nelly Ida Jordan, dated July 10th, 1908. Miss Annie Irvine Buyers, Dated July 11th, 1908.

Nursing Echoes.



We heartily congratulate the War Office on its admirable policy in relation to Nursing, a policy the Admiralty would do well to emulate. Within a few months we may hope to have the whole system of military nursing so organised that both the regular and the territorial armies will be supplied with the skilled nursing care which is their right when *hors de combat*.

The regulations for membership of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve issued from the War Office with Army Orders are published in another column, and bring this important Service under the immediate control of the Nursing Board of the War Office, without which there can be no hope of either efficiency or discipline in time of war. The State is responsible for the nursing of the combatant forces, and if the South African War taught us no other lesson, it convinced us that for the future the lives of sick soldiers must no longer be trifled with by social patronage, and the little people attached to its fringes.

We have thus under State direction an ever-increasingly efficient military nursing service—the Imperial Military Nursing Service, the Nursing Service Reserve of the Regular Army, and the Nursing Service of the Territorial Force. All that now remains to make them resistless is that the nurses of the Empire shall prove their deep-seated patriotism by offering their skilled services to their dear country, and bringing up the Army Nursing Services to their full strength and efficiency. This, we have no doubt, will be very speedily done.

The meeting of the British Medical Association at Sheffield will be long remembered as fruitful of many brilliant ideas and addresses. Not the least interesting paper was that presented in the Navy, Army, and Ambulance Section by Surgeon Lieut.-Col. Wrench, M.V.O., F.R.C.S., who spoke on "Lessons of the Past," dealing with incidents of the Crimean War.

It was lately stated, said Dr. Wrench, that it was desirable that the lamentable tale of the political, military, and administrative mismanagement of the Crimean War should never

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