

white man's vices, drunkenness, and what follows in its wake.

I heard a physician say when I first came out here to live that no matter what the disease an Indian had, it always ended in tuberculosis, and in my stay here of eleven years I have noticed the same thing. There have been severe illnesses among the school children through which they were carefully tended and brought back to convalescence, in every case they died afterwards with tuberculosis.

Their superstition stands them in good stead with regard to a tubercular patient, for any very sick person is isolated in a tent, and after death everything is either buried with the patient, or burned; but at no time do they get the necessary nourishment nor any medicine.

The Government Indian boarding schools should be the place to train and impress the children so forcibly with facts about physiology and hygiene (with tuberculosis always in mind), that they will carry the knowledge into the camps and through life.

Even very small children will take an interest in the composition of their bodies, the organs, etc. The Government physician should devote a good deal of his time in the school to giving lectures to the older children and making friends with the little ones, so that they would grow to feel his influence and know where to find an advisor in sickness, and be willing to take his advice. If these rules were carried out, it would necessarily make the school healthy, the lack of which has always been the chief grievance with the relations and older Indians against the school; it must also influence the camp Indians to some extent, and the next generation should be wonderfully improved. If the school can be made what it should be, what an influence, for good!

There should be a sanitarium for the Indians. The Government has buildings here, an abandoned school plant, that could be used with comparatively small expense. When the school children are infected, they must be sent out, where? To the camps, when they have not sufficient nourishment for well children. They linger on and die; they have nothing but very fine air to get well upon; that is not sufficient! Many poor creatures might be saved from suffering and death with a little care and food. There is so much room, acres and acres of it, sunshine and beautiful pure air, and even the buildings, and the doctor; just the furnishing, equipment, a nurse, an assistant, and a few employees could do it. It was discussed, allowed by U.S. Government, but seems to have been dropped.

## Appointments.

### LADY SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

**Belfast Union Infirmary.**—Miss Dorothea E. Howlett, whose appointment as Lady Superintendent Nurse at the Belfast Infirmary we reported last week, was trained at the East Dulwich Infirmary, and subsequently held the positions of Ward Sister at the Bethnal Green Infirmary, Superintendent at the Sudbury Infirmary, Superintendent at Great Yarmouth Infirmary, and Lady Superintendent of the Steyning Union Infirmary, which position she resigns to take up the appointment at Belfast.

### SUPERINTENDENT.

**Civil Hospital, Amritsar, Punjab.**—Miss Severina Sorensen, who for the last year has been Temporary Superintendent of Nursing at the Memorial Hospital, Ludhiana, will this month take up work in the Civil Hospital, Amritsar, Punjab, to which she has been appointed. This is practically a new hospital. We understand another trained nurse is to be appointed, and a training school for nurses, both male and female, started. This is almost a new departure for India. We wish the scheme every success, and hope that other large civil hospitals will follow suit.

### NURSE-MATRON.

**Cannock Isolation Hospital, Staffordshire.**—Miss M. B. Akehurst has been appointed Nurse-Matron. She was trained at the Torbay Hospital, and at the Croydon General Hospital, and has held the position of Charge Nurse at the Victoria Hospital, Kingston-on-Thames, Nurse at the London Fever Hospital, Islington, and Sister at the City Hospital, Seacroft, near Leeds.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**Morningside Asylum, Edinburgh.**—Miss Christian Lumsden has been appointed Assistant Matron. She at present holds the position of Surgical Sister at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Aberdeen.

### SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

**Union Infirmary, Wrexham.**—Miss Margaret Eldred has been appointed Superintendent Nurse. She was trained at the Bagthorpe Infirmary, Nottingham, and has held the position of Sister of the North Evington Infirmary, Leicester, and of Head Night Nurse at the Union Infirmary, Dudley. She is a Certified Midwife.

### SISTERS.

**Birmingham and Midland Skin Hospital.**—Miss Wilhelmina Ferguson has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum, Bromley, E., and has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Women's Hospital, Leeds, and the Leeds Fever Hospital, of Sister at the Eye and Ear Hospital, Bradford, and at the Fever Hospital, Cork Street, Dublin.

### SCHOOL NURSE.

**Derbyshire Education Committee.**—Miss Eva M. Court has been appointed School Nurse under the Derbyshire Education Committee. She was trained at the Taunton and Somerset Hospital, and has been Staff Nurse at the Royal Ophthalmic Hospital, City Road.

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