

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.**TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.**

Miss Mina Riden is appointed to Cornwall C.N.A. as Superintendent.

Miss Riden received General training at Tottenham Hospital, Midwifery training at the Salvation Army Hospital, Mare Street, Hackney, and District training at Hull. She has since held several appointments under the Institute, including that of Assistant Superintendent (temp.) Cornwall C.N.A.

Miss Elizabeth L. Woods is appointed to Cumberland C.N.A. as Assistant Superintendent and Tuberculosis Nurse.

Miss Woods received General training at St. Marylebone Infirmary, Midwifery training at Cheltenham and District training at Bloomsbury, and has since been Queen's Nurse at Shelving and St. Bride's.

Miss Ada E. Elliott is appointed to Guildford as Senior Nurse; Miss Edith Goodwin, to Liverpool (Walton), as Senior Nurse; Miss Mabel Herron, to Isleworth; Miss Ellen Pemberton, to Biddulph; Miss Emma Tomlinson, to Radcliffe.

FRENCH CLASSES FOR NURSES.

Free classes are to be held at the Women's Emergency Corps, for nurses wishing to learn colloquial French before going to the front. A lady from Paris, a well-known sculptor, has undertaken to give lessons, and applications should be addressed to the "Nursing Department," Women's Emergency Corps, 8-10, York Place, Baker Street, W.

"FIELD HOSPITAL AND FLYING COLUMN."

Miss Violetta Thurstan's book "Field Hospital and Flying Column" is to be published by G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London, and is announced for an early date. It will appeal to a large and sympathetic public, and is sure of wide popularity at home and in the United States.

THE PASSING BELL.

Miss Louisa Jordan, who went out to Serbia with the Scottish Women's Hospital, has, we regret to say, succumbed to typhus fever at Kragujevatz. Miss Jordan, who was trained and subsequently held the position of Sister at the Crumpsall Infirmary, Manchester, volunteered to nurse Dr. Ross when he was struck down by typhus, and so contracted it herself. When she volunteered in December for service in Serbia she was working as a Queen's Nurse at Buckhaven, Fifeshire.

We regret to record the death of Miss Madge Neill Fraser, a well-known lady golfer, who went with the St. Andrew's Ambulance Association to work in the above hospital as nurse and chauffeur.

The sad death is reported from Nish, Serbia, of Miss Margaret Caroline C. Ryle, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ryle, of Brighton, aged 23, from an accident while working there in a Russian Red Cross Hospital.

NURSING ECHOES.

The Women's Freedom League has requested His Majesty's Office of Works to allow a Memorial Celebration to take place near the statue of Florence Nightingale, in Waterloo Place, S.W., on the anniversary of her birthday on May 12th, in order that fitting honour may be done to her memory. There is a widespread feeling that the unveiling by a workman was a blunder which should never have been permitted by the Committee of the Memorial Fund.

Princess Louise, President of Charing Cross Hospital, attended the Annual General Court at the hospital, when a report of splendid achievement during the past year was presented. In replying to a vote of thanks for the interest she had manifested in the hospital, Her Royal Highness spoke in terms of high appreciation of the work carried on there. "I wrote to thank Queen Alexandra the other day for coming here," she added, "and the answer I got was that 'it is the best and nicest hospital, and the people seem happier there than in any I have visited.'"

We regret to note from the reports of meetings that our Poor Law Infirmarys and District Nursing Associations appear to have great difficulty in procuring trained nurses; as for private nurses, they are at a premium; indeed, in the latter branch of work this is a psychological moment to begin: there are so many more patients requiring skilled care for serious operations than can be supplied. Hundreds of calls have been refused in the past few weeks at the office of the Registered Nurses' Society, as one-third of the members are on active duty, many are also nursing wounded officers and soldiers at their usual fees. The war is going to last too long for the whole profession to work at the half-fee rate for any length of time. Great anxiety and poverty will result amongst nurses if this system continues, though no doubt many have given their services for months with pleasure.

We note a correspondence in the press on the question of the reduction of the Red Cross nurses' fees from two guineas to one. Personally we have heard no complaint from nurses at this arrangement, but we have heard many trained nurses object to being sent to hospitals like that of the Duchess of Sutherland at Dunkirk as voluntary workers, when the male orderlies are being paid 28s. a week, and when

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