

and the bags pinned to the towels and sheets about the incision area. Under no circumstances are the strips cut. There being no loose pieces of gauze, none can be left in the wound.

#### Care of Hypodermic Needles.

A correspondent in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* says to prevent rusting and consequent plugging the needles should be kept in equal parts of almond oil and alcohol. They may be placed in a wide-mouthed bottle or covered dish and remain in the mixture when not in use. They can be removed from it with forceps and cleansed with a jet of alcohol.

#### Remove that Thumb.

Ignorance is often the mainspring of vanity, and we were lately reminded of this maxim when discussing the nursing of foreigners with an English nurse. Here are a few remarks: "Oh, no, she isn't fully trained, but only Belgians are admitted"; and again, "The War Office wishes to retain all certificated nurses this side for our own wounded—it won't prevent others going to France."

"Yes, my hospital uniform is a bit worn, but it will do to wear out in France."

This is the type of nurse we imagine who had a rude awakening in a French military hospital theatre when the world-renowned operator snapped out, "Remove that thumb," which she had inserted into the sterilised lotion instead of holding the basin in the palms of her hands!

When we cross the Channel we must not imagine that right away we land in the desert of Sahara.

## APPOINTMENTS.

#### MATRON.

**Hospital and Home for Sick Children, Lower Sydenham.**—Miss F. M. Scott has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Infirmary, Dudley Road, Birmingham, and has held the position of Sister at the Dulwich Infirmary, of Day Sister and Night Sister at the Royal National Hospital, Ventnor, and of Home Sister at the County Hospital, Winchester, and of Temporary Matron at the Children's Sanatorium, Peppard, Oxon.

**Maternity Institution, Norwich.**—Miss A. D. Edington has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Mile End Infirmary; and has been Senior Staff Nurse at the District Nurses' Home, Gloucester; Assistant Superintendent in Sunderland; and Acting County Superintendent at Cambridge.

#### NURSE MATRON.

**The Isolation Hospital, Chichester.**—Miss E. Cleary has been appointed Nurse Matron. She was trained at the New Infirmary, Hendon, and holds the position of Sister at the North Eastern Hospital, Tottenham.

#### NIGHT SISTER.

**Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle.**—Miss Alice Stennett has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Women's Hospital, Castlegate, Nottingham, and at the General Hospital, Nottingham, and has been Staff Nurse at the Penrith Hospital. She has also had experience of private nursing.

#### CHARGE NURSE.

**Shepton Mallett Union.**—Miss May Robinson has been appointed Charge Nurse. She was trained at the Union Infirmary, Barrow-in-Furness, and has been Assistant Nurse at the Tamworth Workhouse, and Nurse at the Warminster Workhouse and at the Cirencester Workhouse.

#### SISTER.

**Western Fever Hospital, Fulham, S.W.**—Miss Elizabeth L. England has been appointed Sister. She was trained at St. George's Infirmary, Fulham; and has been Staff Nurse at the Western Fever Hospital.

Miss Amy Elizabeth Bourne has also been appointed Sister. She was trained at Lambeth Infirmary, Brook Street, where she was Sister; she has for eight years been attached to the Exeter Trained Institution for private nursing.

**"Homeleigh" Convalescent Home for Wounded Soldiers, Harrow.**—Miss H. C. Sadler has been appointed Sister-in-Charge. All service is to be voluntary.

#### QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

To be Staff Nurses:—Elizabeth Gibson (February 21st, 1914), Cicely E. Bray (April 15th, 1914), Georgina W. Chamberlain (August 4th, 1914), Mary I. McNaughton (August 6th, 1914).

#### TERRITORIAL FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

Miss Jessie Hills to be Matron, October 16th, 1913.

The following announcement is substituted for that which appeared in the *Gazette* of February 2nd, 1915: Miss Tank Davis to be Matron, January 22nd, 1915.

#### QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

##### TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Jane B. Croke is appointed to Woolwich, as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Minnie M. Chambers, to Elmtown and Cresswell; Miss Eliza J. Legge, to Brighton; Miss Margaret B. Perkins, to Todmorden; and Miss Elsie M. Wood, to Todmorden.

#### LADY MINTO'S INDIAN NURSING ASSOCIATION.

The Report of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association for 1914 states that the difficulty in obtaining nurses alluded to in the last report has been much accentuated by the present War, and it is increasingly difficult to secure candidates for India. There are vacancies at the present time for two Nursing Sisters. The salary commences at £60 per annum.

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