

Miss K. Harris has also been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Ashley Sanatorium, where she was afterwards Staff Nurse, and at the Isolation Hospital, Mitcham.

General Hospital, Tunbridge Wells.—Miss Ethel L. M. Watts has been appointed sister. She was trained at the Prince of Wales Hospital, Tottenham.

HEAD NURSE.

Bromsgrove Union.—Miss Matilda S. J. Arundel has been appointed Head Nurse. She was trained at Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, and has been Superintendent Nurse at Totnes Union, and Head Nurse at Bridport, Redruth, and Halstead Unions.

Union Infirmary Lichfield.—Miss E. Woodward has been appointed Head Nurse. She was trained at the Birmingham Infirmary, after which she held a post in the Launceston Infirmary, and has held the position of Superintendent Nurse at the Union Infirmary, Chester-le-Street.

NURSING ECHOES.

The Winter General Meeting of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses will be held in the Clinical Theatre at the Hospital on Saturday, January 22nd, at 3 p.m. Two interesting items on the agenda are: (3) To receive a Report from Miss E. M. Musson, Principal Matron, 1st Southern General Hospital, on Territorial Nursing in the Midlands; and (4) Miss Bryan will give a short account of Air Raids and the Work of the National Guard. After the business meeting, there will be a social gathering in the Nurses' Sitting Room, at which there will be a Gift Table, the contributions to be sent to No. 1 General Hospital, Camberwell. Miss E. H. Musson, Sister of Hope Ward, will receive the gifts, if members would like to send them in advance.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE GIFT TABLE.

Handkerchiefs, bath towels (1½ yards long), scarlet blankets, huckaback towels, cushions and washing covers, damask locker cloths (24 by 18 ins.) kit-bags of holland and red braid, tray cloths (double damask, 22 by 18 ins.), small table napkins, rubber hot water bottles with covers, mufflers, soap, writing-paper and post-cards, pens and pencils, cigarettes, matches, pipes and tobacco, flower vases, jaconet pillows, white sewing cotton, narrow white tape, and safety pins.

We are glad to note that Miss E. M. Cancellor, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Union of Trained Nurses, agrees with us that registration of nurses must precede protection of uniform. Miss Cancellor writes in a letter to the press:—"Until the State takes steps to recognize and regularize

the position of the nursing profession, it seems futile to discuss the external appearance of nurses."

Mr. Gilbert Barling, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Birmingham, has retired after twenty-four years' service as honorary surgeon to the General Hospital, Birmingham, and has been presented with a portrait of himself, which is to adorn one of the rooms. In an illuminated address, a record of Mr. Barling's excellent work at the hospital was also presented to him. The General Hospital suffers a great loss by Mr. Barling's retirement, and no class will regret it more than the nurses, as he has done so much to enhance the hospital's reputation, not only as a medical, but as a nursing school. The system of nurse training at this great Midland hospital is second to none—not excluding our metropolitan schools—and that this good practical result has been attained is largely due to the high ideals of womanhood always set before the nurses by Mr. Barling. THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING offers the sincere thanks of the profession as a whole to Mr. Barling for his generous attitude towards it, and wishes him many years in which to enjoy some well earned leisure.

Many prominent citizens recently attended a representative meeting at Johannesburg, when the raising of a fund in honour of the memory of Nurse Cavell was approved. The fund will be appropriated, firstly, for the assistance of nurses on the Rand who have served during the war, and for whom no adequate provision is made. Secondly, a memorial of the declaration of peace will be perpetuated, which will provide assistance to nurses who are incapacitated from following their profession. It will also be in honour of the memory of Miss Cavell. The Works Committee of Johannesburg Municipality also have been requested to name a prominent street after Miss Cavell.

The Central Committee for National Patriotic Organizations have just issued in pamphlet form "The Case of Edith Cavell," written by Mr. James M. Beck, formerly Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, in reply to Dr. Albert Zimmermann, Germany's Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and published in the *New York Times* on October 31st. The committee are prepared to supply the pamphlet at £3 for 1,000.

The care which must be exercised by nurses in asylums was exemplified at an inquest at the Wakefield Asylum recently on the body

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