

APPOINTMENTS.**MATRON.**

St. John's Hospital Charity, Winchester.—Miss Annie Manning has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Hackney Union Infirmary, London, and has been Superintendent Nurse at Oulton Infirmary, near Lowestoft, and at the Union Infirmary, Basingstoke, Hants.

OUT-PATIENT SISTER.

Great Northern Central Hospital, Holloway Road, N.—Miss Amy Martin has been appointed Outpatient Sister. She was trained at the Royal Free Hospital, and has been Sister at the Royal Albert Hospital, Devonport; and at the National Hospital, Queen's Square, W.C.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Sister Mrs. E. Grazebrook resigns her appointment (August 26th).

THE NATION'S TRIBUTE TO IRISH NURSES.

The Fund for the Tribute to Irish Nurses is progressing slowly, not more than half the amount required being so far subscribed. The Fund, which will be administered by an Irish Committee, is intended to benefit civilian as well as war nurses.

LEGAL MATTERS.

The trial of Eva Grace Thompson, who claims to be a trained nurse, on a charge of wilful murder will take place at the Old Bailey, and may come on for hearing next week.

A serious charge was preferred against a woman named Tomkinson at the West Ham Police Court on Monday, namely of attempting to procure abortion in six cases. She is not a certified midwife, but was at one time assistant to a chemist.

LECTURES TO MASSAGE STUDENTS.

Masseuses, and nurses who are studying for their massage certificates will be glad to know that a series of classes in Anatomy for Massage Students, beginning on Monday, October 7th, have been arranged at the London (Royal Free Hospital, School of Medicine for Women, 6, Hunter Street) Brunswick Square, W.C. 1. Demonstrations on the cadaver will be given on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 5.30 throughout the Autumn term, under the direction of Dr. Mary Lucas-Keene, and Dr. Joyce Partridge. Further particulars may be obtained from Miss L. M. Brooks, Warden and Secretary.

RESIGNATION.

Many nurses and midwives who appreciate the excellence of the training they have received at the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, under the able superintendence of Miss L. Ramsden, will learn with regret of her resignation of this important position, after over 20 years' service in the institution, for a short time as Assistant to Miss Hampson and then as Lady Superintendent.

NURSING ECHOES.

At the recent Annual Meeting of Princess Christian's District Nursing and Maternity Home at Windsor a letter received from the Town Clerk of Windsor proved how much the work of the Home is appreciated in the town.

The letter stated that it has been decided to give a donation of £10 10s. per annum to the funds of H.R.H. Princess Christian's Maternity Home as a recognition of the excellent work which the nurses of the Home are doing, and the great use that their services are to the poor of Windsor.

We continue to receive enquiries as to the prospects for those who undergo a course of training with the view of taking up laboratory work as described by Dr. Kynvett Gordon in this JOURNAL, and we are informed that Dr. Gordon has also been "inundated" with enquiries. After a course of training extending over three months, the prospects for a candidate who successfully passes the subsequent examination are good, as she would probably easily obtain the post of junior assistant at a commencing salary of £2 2s. a week.

The National Union of Women Workers of Great Britain and Ireland has issued a pamphlet on the National Health Insurance Act of 1918, which sets forth clearly and concisely the most important of the changes effected by the Act. Nurses who are insured under the Act would do well to obtain and study this leaflet. It is obtainable from Miss Norah E. Green, Secretary National Union of Women Workers, Parliament Mansions, Victoria Street, London, S.W. 1, price ½d. per copy, or 1d. post free, or 4s. 6d. per 100, post free.

The question as to whether hospital nurses who have latch keys are entitled to the Parliamentary Franchise is one upon which a decisive decision should be obtained, and we advise all nurses who are provided with latch keys to make a point of inquiring from the proper authorities whether or not they are entitled to a vote. We learn that the private nurses on the staff of St. John's House, Queen Square, Bloomsbury, each have the use of a latch key when in residence between their cases. What is the position in this case?

At Omagh Revision Sessions the claim of Miss L. H. Hayes, Matron of the Tyrone County Hospital, for a vote out of apartments in that institution was admitted, whilst the

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