

THE MATRONS' COUNCIL OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

A Meeting of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland will be held, by the kind invitation of the President, Miss Heather Bigg, R.R.C., at Charing Cross Hospital on Saturday, October 19th, at 3 p.m.

The President will be in the Chair, and several questions of interest appear on the Agenda for discussion. The report of Miss Helen Pearse, one of the delegates to the Meeting of the National Council of Women at Harrogate from October 8th to 10th, will be of special interest. Miss Steel, Matron County Hospital, York, and Miss J. Davies, Matron Royal Infirmary, Bradford, will also attend the Conference as representatives of the Matrons' Council.

POOR LAW INFIRMARY MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting, on September 28th, of the Executive Committee of the Poor Law Infirmary Matrons' Association, the following resolution was passed:—

"That the members of the P.L.I.M.A. learn with sincere regret of the retirement of Miss Stansfeld from the office of Chief Lady Inspector of the Local Government Board. They wish to record their deep gratitude and appreciation of her continued kindness and consideration to them, not only as Matrons, in their individual training schools, but also as members of the P.L.I.M.A. Miss Stansfeld from its earliest commencement has done all that was in her power to strengthen and encourage the Association, and her support has very considerably aided in its success. Their earnest hope is that Miss Stansfeld may long be spared to enjoy the rest which she so well deserves."

The Annual Meeting of the P.L.I.M.A. will be held at 3 o'clock on Saturday, October 26th, at the Eustace Miles Restaurant, Chandos Street, Charing Cross.

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

The King decorated the following ladies with the Royal Red Cross, at Buckingham Palace, on September 26th:—

SECOND CLASS.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.—Sister JANE TROTTER.

Territorial Force Nursing Service.—Sister LAVINIA TAYLOR.

Voluntary Aid Detachment.—Miss MARY FYNES-CLINTON, the Lady ARTHUR GROSVENOR, and Miss MARGARET RICHARDSON.

Miss Ellen Kate Finnemore, Matron, Queen Mary's R.N. Hospital, Southend, has been awarded the Royal Red Cross, 1st Class, in recognition of her valuable services in connection with the war.

OUR ROLL OF HONOUR.

Full military honours were accorded the funeral of Miss Dorothy Pearson Twist, at Aldershot. Deceased came from British Columbia to nurse, and died at Cambridge Hospital from pneumonia.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

EXAMINATION FOR THE ROLL OF QUEEN'S NURSES, SEPTEMBER 19TH, 1918.

1.—Describe how to peptonise milk and how to prepare (a) whey; (b) beef tea; (c) meat juice; (d) a saline injection.

2.—What conditions would lead you to suspect in a pregnant woman (a) gonorrhoea; (b) syphilis; and what advice would you give? What dangers would you seek to avert?

3.—What would you do if called into a case of a bad burn, or scald, in a child, before the arrival of the doctor?

4.—What is meant by putting a room in nursing order? How would you do it for (1) a case of pneumonia, and (2) a chronic case of paralysis, in a two-roomed house with two adults besides the patient?

5.—What advice, special and general, would you give a mother whose child is suffering from measles? What special precautions should be taken as regards (a) the child; (b) the family; (c) the nurse herself?

6A.—What advice would you give in order to assist a family, the members of which consist of (1) a soldier son blinded in the war; (2) a phthisical mother; and (3) a younger child, aged ten, with tubercular hip disease—the father being delicate, can only work half-time?

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6B.—How would you act if brought into contact with a case of child neglect in your district?

APPOINTMENTS.

CHARGE NURSE FOR VENEREAL DEPARTMENT.

Leicester Royal Infirmary.—Mrs. Burnett has been appointed Charge Nurse for the Venereal Department. She was trained at West Bromwich Hospital, and has been Sister at the London Lock Hospital.

LADY NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Belfast Municipal Sanatorium, Whiteabbey.—Miss Lillie Thompson Fitzgerald has been appointed Lady Night Superintendent. She was trained at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, and has been Sister at Down County Infirmary, and Sister-in-Charge Belfast Charitable Society.

SISTER.

Queen Mary's Hospital for the East End, Stratford.—Miss Frost has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Hospital, Portsmouth, and has been Staff Nurse and Temporary Sister at the above hospital.

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