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THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE.

The members of the Central London Sick Asylum (now the Colindale Hospital) Nurses' League, have done well to commemorate in the Nurses' Home of their hospital, the memory of three members of the League, trained in the institution, who died in the service of their country during the great war. The unveiling of a memorial tablet in their honour took place on July 2nd, in the vestibule of the Nurses' Home, Colindale Avenue, Hendon, the dedication service being conducted by the Archdeacon of Hampstead, assisted by the Rev. G. Farran, D.D., Vicar of Kingsbury, and the Chaplain of the Hospital.

The ceremony was performed by Mr. R. Woolley Walden, C.B.E., J.P., late Chairman of the Metropolitan Asylums Board, and now Chairman of its Sanatorium Committee, who said :---

"As chairman of the Committee responsible for the management of this institution, I have been honoured by being requested to unveil this memorial in proud remembrance of those nurses who died in the service of their country during the great war. Julia Winchester (drowned on the Falaba, May 27th, 1915); Mary Rodwell (drowned on the Anglia, November 7th, 1915); and Isabella •Cruickshank (drowned on the Salta, April roth, 1918). They gave the supreme sacrifice of their lives for their country, and this memorial will remind us, and those who come after, of their courage, self abnegation, and devotion to duty when the hour of trial came. They will live for evermore in the hearts and affections of those whose privilege it was to know them, and all of us unite in our gratitude to them for the splendid example they have set to the nursing profession, and indeed to all of us who are engaged in the work of caring for the sick and afflicted of our fellow countrymen. For they were faithful, true, and unfaltering in their trust, they were noble and They were a credit to and devoted women. reflection of the noble women under whom they were trained, and whose devotion to duty is so well known.

When the Union Jack, covering the memorial was removed, it revealed a brass memorial plate upon a bronze tablet, surmounted by a cross, and the badge of the Nurses' League. On the plate are inscribed the names of the three nurses with the dates and manner of their deaths, and below the words: "Their name liveth for evermore."

A great tribute was paid to the work of the Matron, Miss Elma Smith, who has held that office for over twenty years, and letters were received from nurses trained by her, and those who had come in contact with them, from all over the world; many warm congratulations were offered to her on her recovery from her sudden and very serious illness.

Tea was then served in the nurses' sitting room, after which a meeting of the Nurses' League was held.

THE MATRONS' COUNCIL.

The Matrons' Council will not hold a summer meeting this July, owing to the absence on holiday of so many members.

Miss Winmill, the Matron of Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, hopes that the members will hold an autumn meeting at that interesting hospital towards the end of September. The following members have consented to represent the Council at the Annual Congress of the National Council of Women to be held at Bristol in October :--Miss Catherine Terry, Matron of the Royal Mineral Water Hospital, Bath ; Miss S. M. Marsters, Superintendent, Q.V.J.I., Paddington Branch, and Miss M. Kennedy, Superintendent, District Nursing Association, Clifton, near Bristol.

THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRAR.

Dr. Addison, the Minister of Health, has sanctioned the appointment by the General Nursing Council (established under the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919, to form and keep a register of nurses for the sick) of Miss Marian Scott Riddell, R.R.C., to be the registrar of the Council.

Miss Riddell was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, from 1901 to 1904, when she received the certificate of the hospital, and acted as Sister till January, 1905. Miss Riddell was appointed Night Sister, and subsequently Assistant Matron, at University College Hospital, which posts she held from 1905 to 1911, when she was appointed Matron of the Chelsea Hospital for Women.

Upon mobilisation in August, 1914, Miss Riddell was appointed Matron of the Second London General Hospital, Chelsea, and Matron of the 53rd General Hospital, France, in 1917, till 1919. In that year she was appointed a Principal Matron at the War Office, and rendered service as assistant to the late Matron-in-Chief, Dame Sidney Browne, T.F.N.S., until her successor, Dame Maude McCarthy, was recently appointed Matron-in-Chief, T.F.N.S.

Miss Riddell was awarded the R.R.C. (First Class), in 1916.

THE STANDARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING.

Lady Hobhouse, President of the Kingswood Nursing Association (which gives a short training to women to act as district nurses), in moving the adoption of the Report stated that when they started their organization they based it on the lines of one started at Plaistow by Sister Catherine, the idea of which was that it was possible to give as efficient training in a district as in the wards of a hospital. They were one of the first provincial



