QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of the following to be Queen's Nurses, to date July 1st, 1926 —


IRISH FREE STATE.—Marriane McGrath, Kathleen O'Boyle, Helena M. Quane, Emily J. Handcock.

WEDDING BELLS.

Many of her colleagues in this country will learn with interest of the marriage, in Grahamstown, of Miss Edben, Matron of the Children's Memorial Hospital, Johannesburg, to Mr. P. T. Hoole, a well-known resident in the Grahamstown District, and will wish her every happiness. Mrs. Hoole, who is South African born, was trained at the Johannesburg General Hospital, and was appointed, the first Matron of the Children's Memorial Hospital there. She visited this country in 1923, prior to taking up office, in order to procure the latest information as to the administration of Children's Hospitals in London and Scotland, and to many friends at that time. The marriage took place on 1st July, 1926.

LEGACIES TO NURSES.

Major Francis Barrow Pearce, C.M.G., of Shanklin, late British Resident in Zanzibar, left £50 each to Miss Hannah Braden, A.R.C., formerly Matron of the Hospital of the Universities' Alliance to Central Africa, and afterwards of the Government Hospital in Zanzibar, and to Mrs. Zurcher, now Mrs. Anderson, Matron of the Government Hospitals in Zanzibar and Pemba, as tokens of remembrance and regard.

The Right Hon. Windham Thomas, Fourth Earl of Dunraven and Mount Earl, K.P., C.M.G., of Adare Manor, Co. Limerick, left a life annuity of £200 to his Nurse, Miss E. M. Rowan.

Mr. Charles Stancliffe Newton, of Chesham Street, S.W., left £200 to his Nurse, Miss Lucy Chapman.

Mr. Henry Mathison Beausire, of Newton, Chesham, left £50 to his Nurse, Miss Margaret Brady, if still in his service.

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

On August 7th, Princess Mary, Viscountess Lascelles opened an extension of the Cottage Hospital, Ripon, first planned in 1911 as a memorial to King Edward VII, but delayed owing first to the war and then to labour difficulties. It now includes a memorial to Queen Alexandra, and a children's ward, to be known as the Frances Mary Ward, given by Miss Cross of Ripon.

As we go to press, on September 3rd, Princess Mary is laying the foundation-stone of the new infirmary in Knaresborough-road, Harrogate.

Prince Henry will preside on Thursday, November 18th, at a dinner at the Savoy Hotel in aid of the Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway, and in commemoration of its seventieth anniversary.

An anonymous donor has promised £10,000 to the Middlesex Hospital, and also a further donation as circumstances permit, for the purpose of building a new Nurses' Home.

On August 24th two new wards containing together 32 beds were opened at King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E. This means, further, that another operating theatre must be added, and additional nurses provided.

Only those responsible for hospital finances know how anxious a charge this is at times. The money received each day should bear some proportion at least to the expenditure, but at King's College Hospital recently, where the expenditure is at the rate of £250 a day, the total amount received on one day was £95.

Nevertheless the statistical report of King Edward's Hospital Fund just issued sounds an encouraging and hopeful note, for whereas in 1920 the income of 77 hospitals failed to meet their expenses, the number in 1925 fell to 49, and the financial position as a whole is steadily improving.

Speaking recently at Glasgow, on the occasion of the opening of a new hospital for ear, throat, and nose diseases, the Minister of Health (the Right Hon. Neville Chamberlain) while disclaiming that he at present contemplated any legislation which would interfere in any way with the working of the voluntary system, said that we cannot stand still. We must make changes to meet changing conditions and advance in accord with instructed public opinion. He stated that the present needs of the community are far from being met, and some 3,000 additional beds in Scotland, and 10,000 in England and Wales are urgently needed. The question, he said, arose as to whether it would be possible to devise a scheme under which the municipal and voluntary hospitals should work together in close co-operation.

THE ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE.

The 38th Congress and Health Exhibition of the Royal Sanitary Institute, 90, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1, will, at the invitation of the Town Council, be held at Hastings from July 11th to 16th, 1927. The Right Hon. Sir William Joynton-Hicks, Bart., P.C., M.P., Home Secretary, has consented to act as President of the Congress.

Courses of lectures for Sanitary Inspectors, and of Practical Training for Meat and Food Inspectors, will be commenced at the Institute for Sanitary Inspectors on October 4th, and for Meat Inspectors on October 8th, both at 6 p.m. Particulars of these Examinations can be obtained at the Office.