

**THE NEW YEAR HONOURS.**

The New Year Honours are bestowed upon some hundreds of men for various services—and to a few women, mostly for clerical work, secretaries, clerks and typists, and for philanthropic work—at home and abroad. Art and Literature remain entirely unrecognised.

We congratulate the following members of the Nursing Profession upon the honours conferred upon them.

**Royal Red Cross.**

The King has approved of the Decoration of the Royal Red Cross being conferred upon the following members of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service:—

**Royal Red Cross, 1st Class.**

COURTICE, SUPERINTENDING SISTER NITA, A.R.R.C.  
ABRAHAM, SUPERINTENDING SISTER MARGUERITE M., A.R.R.C.

**Royal Red Cross, 2nd Class.**

HOOPER, NURSING SISTER LEONORA C.  
SHREWSBURY, NURSING SISTER ALICE M.

**Kaisar-i-Hind Medal.**

Awards of the Kaisar-i-Hind Medal of the First Class include:—

SISTER JOSEPHINE, All Saints Sisterhood, Sister-in-Charge, Jamsetji Jeejeebhoy Hospital, Bombay.

**Order of the British Empire.**

O.B.E. (Civil Division).

PALIN, MISS HELEN GRACE, M.B.E., R.R.C., Principal Matron, Ministry of Pensions Nursing Service.  
RICHARDS, MISS LILY, Matron, Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital.

We are glad to note that Mrs. MARIA ELIZABETH DICKIN, Founder and Honorary Director of the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals of the Poor, has been awarded an O.B.E. (Civil Division).

**APPOINTMENTS.**

**MATRON.**

**General Hospital, Saffron Walden.**—Miss D. E. Smeeton, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Leeds, and took her Housekeeping Course at King's College Hospital, London. Miss Smeeton has been Night Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Halifax, Sister of the Out-Patient Department at the General Infirmary, Salisbury, Night Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Chester, and is a Certified Midwife.

**Harts Sanatorium, Woodford.**—Miss G. E. Sharpe, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Sunderland, and has since been Ward Sister at the Tuberculosis Hospital, Middlesbrough, Night Superintendent, Home Sister and Assistant Matron at the Baguley Sanatorium, Manchester, and Matron of the Raywell Sanatorium, Cottingham, Hull.

**Croydon Borough Sanatorium, North Cheam, Surrey.**—Miss M. Wilding, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Victoria Hospital, Blackpool, where she later acted as Holiday Sister. Miss Wilding has also been Sister and Acting-Matron at the General Hospital, Longton, Staffs, Theatre Sister at the Victoria Hospital, Blackpool, Ward Sister at the King Edward VII. Hospital for Crippled Children, Sheffield, House-keeping Sister at the Ladywell Sanatorium, Salford, Assistant Matron and Acting Matron at the City Sanatorium, Yardley Road, Birmingham.

**ASSISTANT MATRON.**

**Fulham Hospital, Hammersmith, W.6.**—Miss S. M. Edwards, S.R.N., F.B.C.N., has been appointed Third Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Fulham Hospital where she was later Ward Sister. Miss Edwards was also Ward Sister at the Military Hospital, Fulham.

**North Evington Infirmary, Leicester.**—Miss W. M. L. Selmes, S.R.N., has been appointed Third Assistant Matron and Sister

Tutor. She was trained at the London Hospital, Whitechapel, where she was later Staff Nurse and Sister in the Annexe, and at the Maternity Hospital, Birkenhead. Miss Selmes has also been Ward Sister at St. James' Hospital, Balham.

**SISTER-TUTOR.**

**Fulham Hospital, Hammersmith, W.6.**—Miss E. Macintyre, S.R.N., F.B.C.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at the Fulham Hospital where she was a Silver Medallist, and where she has since been Surgical Ward Sister, Temporary Night Sister, and Sister of the Maternity Ward. Miss Macintyre is a Certified Midwife and holds the Sister Tutor's Certificate (Battersea).

**General Hospital, Nottingham.**—Miss M. Lacey, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at the General Hospital, Nottingham, and has been Ward Sister at the General Hospital, Cheltenham, Night Sister at the West Herts Hospital, Hemel Hempstead, Masseuse at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, Home and Teaching Sister at the East Suffolk Hospital, Ipswich, and Sister Tutor at the Fulham Hospital, Hammersmith. Miss Lacey holds certificates in Massage and Medical Electricity, and the Diploma of Nursing of the London University.

**HOUSEKEEPING SISTER.**

**Royal Infirmary, Leicester.**—Miss W. M. Williamson, S.R.N., has been appointed Housekeeping Sister. She was trained at the County Hospital, York, and has since been Sister at the County Hospital, Lincoln, at the General Infirmary, Stafford, at the St. Helens Hospital, Lancs., and at the Royal Infirmary, Gloucester. Miss Williamson took her Housekeeping Course at the Victoria Park Hospital, London, and also took Holiday Sister's duty there.

**SISTER.**

**West London Hospital, Hammersmith.**—Miss E. D. Lewis, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister of the Venereal Diseases Department. She was trained at the Royal United Hospital, Bath, where she was Sister of the Out-Patient and Venereal Departments. Miss Lewis has also been Sister of the Women's and Private Wards of the General Hospital, Weston-super-Mare, and Sister of the Out-Patient and X-Ray Departments at the General Hospital, Hereford.

**LEGACIES TO NURSES.**

Dame Louise Selina Maxwell, late of Queen's Gate, S.W., left a policy of insurance on her life for £1,500, and the bonuses thereon, "to her faithful and devoted nurse," Gabriel Hindle.

Miss Lucy Mary Hedley-Steuart of Woodhill, Northumberland, left £3,000 to her nurse, Hilda Stock, and £1,000 to her sister, Myra Stock.

Miss Katharine Mary Adam, late of Eastbourne, left £100 to Nurse Jane Northcott.

Mrs. Kate Finlay, late of Cavendish Square, W., left £100 to Nurse Caroline Syrratt "as a recognition of her long, faithful, and good service."

Mrs. Ethel Mews, of Westbourne Terrace, W., left £100 to each of her nurses, Miss A. Drabble and Miss Sarah Brookhouse.

Miss Alice Agnes Wood, of Leominster, Herefordshire, left £50 each to Nurse Matron Bessie Hayes and Nurse Pirrie.

**THE PASSING BELL.**

We regret to record the death of Miss Helen Wachter, late Matron of Joyce Green Hospital, under the M.A.B., from Angina pectoris, on December 14th. Miss Wachter commenced her nursing career at the age of 19, and became a few years later Assistant Matron at St. George's Infirmary, Fulham (now St. Stephen's Hospital).

She entered the Board's service as Matron of the Small-pox Hospital Ships at Dartford, in 1884, where she did much valuable work, carrying on successfully during various epidemic periods.

She also opened and organised the Fountain, the Grove, and Joyce Green Hospitals, and retired in 1916 owing to ill-health, after 42 years' service.

Miss Wachter was a most capable organiser, her heart was always in her work, and though a strict disciplinarian she was well liked, a real mother to her staff and a very loyal friend.

She will be greatly missed.

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