

house where there is a Superintendent Nurse as required by Article III. of this Order.

"Article III.—(1.) Where at the commencement of this Order the staff of female Nurses and Assistant Nurses in the Workhouse consists of three or more persons, the Guardians shall either appoint a Superintendent Nurse, or, with our consent, direct that one of the Nurses shall be a Superintendent Nurse.

"(2.) Where at the commencement of this Order there is not a staff of three female Nurses and Assistant Nurses in the Workhouse, but the Guardians subsequently propose that there should be such a staff, and also where any Superintendent Nurse ceases to hold office, the Guardians shall appoint a Superintendent Nurse.

"(3.) Any Superintendent Nurse appointed after the commencement of this Order shall, unless we dispense with the requirement, be a person qualified for the appointment by having undergone, for three years at least, a course of instruction in the Medical and Surgical Wards of any Hospital or Infirmary being a Training School for Nurses, and maintaining a Resident Physician or House Surgeon.

"Article IV.—(1.) It shall be the duty of the Superintendent Nurse to superintend and control the other Nurses and Assistant Nurses in the Workhouse in the performance of their duties, but such superintendence and control shall, in all matters of treatment of the sick, be subject to the directions of the Medical Officer of the Workhouse, and in all other matters to the directions of the Master or Matron of the Workhouse, so far as the Orders in force in the Poor Law Union, and the lawful directions of the Guardians, may require or permit.

"(2.) The provisions of the Orders in force in the Poor Law Union applicable to the mode of appointment, remuneration, and tenure of office of a Nurse at the Workhouse shall apply to every Superintendent Nurse appointed under this Order :

"Provided that no such Superintendent Nurse shall be dismissed without our consent.

"Article V.—If in an emergency it appears to the Medical Officer of the Workhouse that the employment of a temporary Nurse is required for the proper treatment of any case or cases in the Workhouse, and he informs the Master of the Workhouse in writing accordingly, it shall be the duty of the Master to engage a person to act as Nurse until the next Meeting of the Guardians, and the Guardians shall pay the reasonable remuneration of the person so engaged.

"Provided that where there is no Superintendent Nurse appointed under Article III. of this Order, no person shall be engaged under this Article without having had such practical experience in nursing as may render him or her a fit and proper person to hold the office of Nurse.

"Article VI.—"This Order shall not apply to

any Infirmary or School which is under administration separate from the Workhouse.

"This Order may be cited as 'The Nursing in Workhouses Order, 1897.'

"Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this Sixth day of August, in the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

"HENRY CHAPLIN, *President.*

"HUGH OWEN, *Secretary.*"

Appointments.

MISS SOPHIE G. MUNRO has been appointed Matron of the Bedford Infirmary. Miss Munro was trained at St. Mary's Hospital, where she worked as Probationer, Staff Nurse, and Sister, from 1884-95; she was then appointed Matron of the Convalescent Home at Bearsden, N.B., from which position she lately retired. Miss Munro, therefore, comes to her new sphere of work with ripe experience. Miss Munro is a member of the Royal British Nurses' Association and a registered nurse. We wish her all success and happiness.

MISS JEANETTE STEVENS, who has held the position of Ward Sister at the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury, for seven years, will shortly leave to become the Matron of the New Convalescent Home at St. Anne's-upon-Sea, which is in connection with the Hospital for Sick Children, Pendlebury. Miss Stevens, who was trained and certificated at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, will be greatly missed at Pendlebury, where she has gained the appreciation, and confidence, of the authorities, medical staff, and Matron.

MISS RUTH WOOD has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Deaconess Nurses' Institution at Glasgow. Miss Wood was trained at the Westminster Hospital, where she also filled the positions of Night Sister, Out-patient Sister, and temporarily performed the Matron's duties; she also possesses the L.O.S. diploma.

MISS BLANCHE BRICKNELL (late Sister at the Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney) has been appointed Matron to the Carrington Convalescent Home, Camden, New South Wales. This is a large Convalescent Home, situated about 37 miles from Sydney. The present Lady Superintendent of the Prince Alfred Hospital (Miss S. B. McGahey) was formerly Matron of the Carrington Convalescent Home, which she helped to furnish and organize upon her arrival in the Colony seven years ago, so that the position is an important stepping stone to professional promotion in New South Wales.

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