

the nursing staff have expressed this regret in writing to the Committee. We are informed also that the Rev. Mr. Finch, the Honorary Chaplain to the Hospital, has resigned his seat upon the Committee, and withdrawn his services and those of his clerical staff, on the definite ground that he considers the sister has been very unjustly treated. It was, we understand, pointed out to this gentleman that the sister had herself given in her resignation, and that therefore the Committee had no option in accepting it. But he desires to know what has forced a lady, who has, as nurse and sister, for eight and a half years been uniformly devoted to her work, to sever her connection with the Hospital. There are probably many others who desire to know the same thing.

It is widely rumoured that there is considerable friction in this Hospital owing to the fact that the housekeeper, who has had no nursing experience, takes the place of the matron when she is off duty. We do not know whose arrangement this is, but if this statement be true, and we have no reason to doubt its accuracy, it can occasion no surprise that the nursing staff resent receiving orders from a lady who may or may not be an excellent housekeeper, but who is presumably ignorant of nursing matters.

We wonder if the medical committee is acquainted with this extraordinary arrangement. We should have imagined that it was one to which they would have objected. It can scarcely be expected either that the senior ward sister, who has been accustomed to taking charge of the Hospital in the absence of the matron, appreciates being placed under unprofessional control.

We hope that the Committee of the Metropolitan Hospital will inquire into these matters, and that, in the absence of Miss Kingsford, they will nip in the bud any attempt to institute autocratic methods of management upon the part of her *locum tenens*, which, if permitted, can but bring the institution over which they preside into disrepute.

It is well known that in former years the work of this Committee was performed without the slightest friction, that, in every way, it supported its matron in the discharge of her duty, and that the nursing staff was efficient, contented, and devoted to the interests of the Institution. We are forced, therefore, to the conclusion that the fault of management at the present time lies, not with the Committee, but with the officers working under it. We hope that the reason for the present troubles may be soon discovered and rectified, and that the Hospital will return to the harmonious conditions which formerly prevailed.

Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

HER MAJESTY has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of the following as "Queen's" Nurses, to date July 1st, 1897 :—

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Constance M. Thompson ...	London
Florence Frost ...	London
Alice M. M. Tilbury... ..	London
Eveline M. Pemberton ...	London
Florence Andress ...	London
Annie E. Colville ...	London
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Mary Goffe ...	North Finchley
Florence G. Beeston... ..	Kingston-on-Thames
Mabel Hawkes ...	Buntingford
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Emily Cutt ...	Stamford
Gertrude Dunn ...	Stamford
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Ethel F. M. Blair ...	Chatham
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Mary Burton ...	Edensor
Catharine W. Lyon ...	Hull
Fanny E. Whitfield ...	Warrington
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Mary G. Peel... ..	Bolton
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