

## Appointments.

### MATRON.

MISS ESTHER HARRIET YOUNG has been appointed Matron of Guy's Hospital. Miss Young was trained at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, and at the Throat Hospital, Golden Square. She has held the positions of Nurse at Gordon House Home Hospital, Private Nurse in connection with the Nurses' Home, Cambridge, Assistant Matron at Addenbrooke's Hospital, and, since 1896, Assistant Matron of Guy's Hospital. No doubt many needed improvements will now be proceeded with.

MISS LUCY WILSON WARNSLEY has been appointed Matron of the Royal Orthopædic Hospital, London. She was trained at the Children's Hospital, Birmingham, and subsequently at the London Hospital, where she has held the posts of Night Superintendent and Ward Sister.

MISS ELLEN BUXTON has been appointed Matron of the City of Norwich Isolation Hospital. Miss Buxton holds the certificate of St. John's House, and received her training while in connection with that institution at the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, and the North Eastern Hospital, under the Metropolitan Asylums Board. As Charge Nurse, Night Superintendent, and Assistant Matron at the North Eastern Fever Hospital, Tottenham, Miss Buxton has had an extensive experience in the nursing of infectious diseases, and is well qualified for the position to which she has been appointed.

MISS E. RADBURN has been appointed Matron of the Victoria Hospital, Southend. She was trained at St. Thomas' Hospital, where she remained for seven years. For the last five years she has worked in connection with the Nursing Institution, Southend, and has taken temporary charge of the Victoria Hospital during the absence of the Matron.

MISS A. E. GILLESPIE has been appointed Matron of the Isolation Hospital, Hinckley. She was trained for three years at the Fir Vale Union Infirmary, Sheffield, and has held the position of Charge Nurse at the Coventry Fever Hospital, and Head Nurse at Cannock Union Infirmary.

## Resignation.

At the monthly meeting of the Governors of Mercer's Hospital, Dublin, held last week, Miss Manifold, the Matron and Superintendent of Nurses, resigned her position, and the following resolution was passed by the Board:—"That the Board of Mercer's Hospital accept the resignation of Miss Manifold, with best wishes for her future welfare."

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\* \* \* THE St. Bartholomew's Hospital Amateur Dramatic Club gave, last week, two entertainments in the Great Hall, consisting mainly of farces and comediettas. There was a large attendance of members of the medical and nursing staffs, as well as of invited guests. These entertainments are always most popular, and tickets are usually at a premium.

\* \* \* SIR JAMES PAGET was wont to tell a story illustrating the importance of trifles. "Little things mean a great deal to a sick man," he said, and then related how once he operated at St. Bartholomew's on a man for an aneurism. It was necessary, of course, that subsequently the patient should be kept absolutely quiet. The nurse complied with the patient's request for a biscuit; a crumb got into his bed, caused the man to move, the ligature slipped, and the man died. "That crumb killed the man," Sir James declared.

\* \* \* THIS incident—which must have occurred a long time ago, for no nurse at St. Bartholomew's for many years past would have thought of giving a biscuit to a patient in this condition without direct medical sanction—illustrates the necessity of good nursing. We have, in another column of this issue, pointed out that the benefits of medical skill are, to a great extent, neutralized when the profession of nursing does not keep pace with that of medicine and surgery. It is alike in the interests of patients and medical men that the science of nursing should constantly aim at perfection, for the most brilliant operation may be rendered useless by an unskilful nurse, and the professional reputation of a medical man may be injured in consequence.

\* \* \* WE are grateful to those of our readers who, in reply to our request for contributions to the Matron's Stall at the Bazaar, to be held on

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