

MISS NUTTING.

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*(To be continued.)***Appointments.****ASSISTANT MATRON.**

MISS JEMMA BROWN has been appointed Assistant Matron at the Fever Hospital, Ruchill, Glasgow. She was trained at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and subsequently acted as Charge Nurse at the Burnhill Poorhouse.

MISS BISSETT has also been appointed Assistant Matron in the same institution. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Worcester, and the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, and has subsequently held the positions of District Nurse at Sunderland and Portsmouth, and Charge Nurse at the Borough Hospital, Croydon, and the Borough Sanatorium, Sunderland.

MISS EVELYN A. MANSEL has been appointed Assistant Matron at the Royal Edinburgh Hospital for Sick Children. She was trained at Charing Cross and Guy's Hospitals, and has held the positions of Sister at the Hospital for Women, Soho Square; Matron of St. Monica's Hospital, Easingwold, and Matron of the Cottage Hospital, Ashby de la Zouch.

HOME SISTER.

MISS MARY MASSON has been appointed Home Sister at the Fever Hospital, Ruchill, Glasgow. She was trained for three years at Gray's Hospital, Elgin, N.B., and subsequently at the Belvidere Fever Hospital, Glasgow.

MISS MARY D. FARDELL has been appointed Home Sister at the Isolation Hospital, Muswell Hill. She was trained at the Victoria Hospital, and at the institution to which she has now been appointed Home Sister.

MISS ANNIE WOOD has been appointed Home Sister of the Nurses' Home, Whiston Workhouse Infirmary. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, where she acted as Staff Nurse, and has also held the post of Charge Nurse at the Union Infirmary, Prescott.

SISTER.

MISS MARGARET CARRUTHERS has been appointed Sister at the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury, Manchester. She was trained at the Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle, where she subsequently had charge of the Children's Ward, and for two years she has been Sister of the Children's Ward at the Macclesfield Infirmary.

Nursing Echoes.

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THERE is no doubt that the private nurse is, as a rule, very ill equipped for the care of patients suffering from mental disease, and that a post-graduate course of training for nurses desirous of qualifying in this special branch is most useful. But how is this to be obtained? We are informed by the Superintendent of a large institution for private nurses, that she has unsuccessfully approached several large asylums with the object of obtaining experience in mental nursing for the well trained and certificated nurses on the staff. She has in each case failed in her endeavour to do so, the answer received being that it was against the regulations of the asylums to take nurses other than probationers whom they train for asylum work.

THIS is much to be regretted, because the result is not only that the nurses so trained are specialists only, and as such cannot be sent to cases requiring any general nursing, but also that the asylums lose the benefit of the services of experienced nurses, which could not fail to be of great value in maintaining in them a high standard of nursing. We hope that the day will come when every asylum will afford opportunities for a post-graduate course in mental nursing to certificated nurses.

The *Lancet*, in a somewhat belated review of Mr. Gant's book, "Mock Nurses of the Latest Fashion," a reprint of the papers which caused so much indignation and disgust amongst nurses when they appeared in the *Medical Press and Circular* last year, says: "That of late the term 'nurse' has been made to cover those belonging to the oldest profession in the world, there can be no doubt, and Mr. Gant's picture of masseuses is not overdrawn, but this masquerading of bagnios as adjuncts to medical treatment has now been suppressed by the police. Although there are some private nurses who are not all that they should be, yet Mr. Gant's pictures of the private nurse are overdrawn. The book calls attention to an evil which doubtless does exist to a certain extent, but its message would have been far more forcible if it had been far less exaggerated."

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