

Appointments.**MATRON.**

MISS ELLEN OGDEN has been appointed Matron of the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Exeter. She was trained at the Royal Hospital, Salford, and has since held the position of Charge Nurse at the Huddersfield Infirmary, at the South Western Hospital, Stockwell, at the Borough Hospital, Croydon, and at the Eastern Hospital, Homerton. Since July, 1897, Miss Ogden has held the position of Matron at the Borough Hospital, West Bromwich.

MISS MARY MACDONALD has been appointed Matron of the Lochart Hospital, Lanark. She was trained for three years and certificated at the Sunderland Infirmary, and during the course of her training obtained a gold medal for Hygiene. She subsequently nursed in a Private Home in Edinburgh, and lately has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Longmore Hospital, Edinburgh.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

MISS M. M. BEALES has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Infirmary, Fulham, in which institution she obtained her training.

SISTER.

MISS KATE HARRISON has been appointed Ward Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Derby. She was trained at the General Hospital, Nottingham.

MISS ANNIE LAYCOCK has been appointed Sister at the National Orthopædic Hospital, Great Portland Street. She was trained at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan, and for a time held the position of Charge Nurse at the Brook Hospital, Shooter's Hill, since when she has held an appointment at Dr. Sinclair's Hospital, Manchester.

MISS J. M. OLIVER has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Bootle Borough Hospital, Liverpool. She received her training at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, and has held the position of Charge Nurse at the Brook Hospital, Shooter's Hill.

A Fresh Field.

MISS M. D. FARQUHARSON, the Matron of the Melbourne Hospital, Victoria, who has resigned her present post, proposes shortly to open a private Hospital and Sanatorium at Corowa, in New South Wales, a place where the climate is renowned for being exceptionally fine even in that notoriously healthy colony. The hospital, which is at present being built, is designed on the cottage system. Miss Farquharson's name and reputation are a guarantee of the efficiency of the nursing arrangements, and we wish her all success.

Professional Progress in Dublin.

THE need of some common centre where nurses can meet, and discuss their professional affairs, as well as cultivate the spirit of comradeship, which should bind together all those who are engaged in the same vocation, is especially felt in cities where many hospitals and nursing institutions are found, and the nurses of Dublin are to be congratulated on possessing the practical ability to found a club of their own. The story of its inception is as follows—It will be remembered that last Spring the nurses of the city presented an Address to her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her visit to Dublin, and the fund subscribed on this occasion was so well and economically administered by those Matrons who had charge of it, that, after all expenses were paid, they found themselves with a balance in hand. Then a progressive spirit suggested that this money should be used to help to found a Club, if the nurses really wished for one, and, after several meetings had been held to discuss the subject, it was found that, with the exception of two hospitals, all were most anxious to cooperate, and on October 24th the Club was founded, and an Executive Committee formed.

OFFICERS OF THE CLUB.

The officers elected were:—

President.

Miss Margaret Huxley, Lady Superintendent, Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Vice-Chairman of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, and Councillor of the International Council of Nurses.

Hon. Treasurer.

Miss Rae.

Hon. Secretary.

Miss Hampson.

Members of the Committee.

Miss McGivney, Miss Ramsden, Miss Kelly, Miss Fitzpatrick, Miss Brady, and Mrs. Kildare-Tracey.

OBJECTS OF THE CLUB.

The objects of the Club are as follows:—

1. To provide a meeting place for the mutual improvement of nurses where professional matters can be discussed.
2. To bring into touch with each other the members of the different branches of the profession—Medical, Surgical, Fever, Obstetric, Mental, and Massage nurses—whether engaged in hospital, in private, or in district work.
3. To provide Reading Rooms supplied with daily papers, nursing and medical papers, and some periodicals.

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