

Appointments.**LADY SUPERINTENDENT.**

MISS JANET ELLIOT has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Hospital for Diseases of the Nervous System, Claremont Street, Belfast. She was trained for two years at the Paisley General Infirmary, and also had a year's experience in fever work. After working for one year on the staff of the Sunderland Infirmary, Miss Elliot was engaged in private nursing in Glasgow and Cheltenham for two years. She then acted for three years as Charge Nurse of a male ward at the National Hospital, Queen's Square, Bloomsbury, where she obtained a certificate for massage, and for eighteen months she has acted as District Nurse on the Castle Huntly Estate, Perth.

MATRON.

MISS VESEY has been appointed Matron of the Savernake Hospital, Marlborough. She received her training at St. Thomas' Hospital, where she has since held the position of Sister.

MISS G. B. J. BAILIE has been appointed Matron of the Victoria Central Hospital, Liscard, Cheshire. She was trained at the Northern Hospital, Liverpool, and has held the positions of Sister at the Blackburn and East Lancashire Infirmary, Sister at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital, Plymouth, and Matron at the Cottage Hospital, Seacombe.

MISS MARY BARWICK has been appointed Matron of the Smallwood Hospital, Redditch. She received her training at the General Infirmary, Leeds, and has held the positions of Matron of the Cottage Hospital, Brigend, and Matron of the Haversfordwest and Pembroke-shire Infirmary.

MISS ISABEL KEWLEY has been appointed Matron of the Rochdale Corporation Infectious Diseases Hospital. She was trained at the Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, and has since been engaged in nursing work at Warrington, St. Helen's, and the Borough Sanatorium, Huddersfield.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

MISS GERTRUDE WILKINSON has been appointed Night Superintendent at the Hospital, Rotherham. She received her training at the Wolverhampton and Staffordshire General Hospital.

SISTER.

MISS ADA MARY SMITH has been appointed Sister of the Children's Ward at the Clayton Hospital, Wakefield, where she received her training. Miss Smith is also a certified midwife, having obtained this experience at the Royal Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh.

Army Nursing Notes.**A VOICE FROM THE COLONIES.**

IN discussing nursing questions last year at the International Congress of Women with Mrs. Grace Neill, the Assistant Inspector of Hospitals in New Zealand, she expressed the opinion that the enfranchisement of women in that colony was the effective lever which could now be used by women to accomplish nursing and other reforms in a straightforward and dignified manner. "Having the vote just makes *all* the difference," she remarked. This is true, and a letter which appeared a few days ago in the *Chronicle*, from the Secretary of the Red Cross Brigade in Auckland, which we print below, cannot be pooh-poohed by politicians at home or abroad as "a feminine effusion." It is something quite different—it is an *elector's opinion* and must be taken into consideration.

"Sir,—As secretary of the Red Cross Brigade, Auckland, New Zealand, whose offer of nurses for South Africa was not accepted by the Imperial authorities, and in the name of England's boasted fair play and justice I crave a small space in the columns of your valuable paper to express, in terms of strongest condemnation, the serious breach of faith on the part of the Imperial authorities which has occurred through the atrocious inadequacy of both hospital accommodation and attendance for our Colonial contingents at the seat of war.

"The statements made by our own returned invalided soldiers are so revolting as to cause a feeling of cruel shame to overwhelm us, and a wish to cut asunder for all time the ties of friendship that have hitherto bound us to the Motherland; and the weak attempt made by Mr. Balfour to exonerate the Colonial Office from all blame in connection with this shocking blunder only adds to the already colossal stigma which rests upon the flaunted nobility of the English nation!

"Upon the news being known in New Zealand that the Imperial authorities had failed in their promise and duty to provide all medical care for the sick and wounded, I immediately wired to our Premier, the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, begging him in the name of all that was humane and just, to send aid at once, and so remove a very grave responsibility which rested upon us, although through no fault of our own; at the same time requesting him, in the face of what had transpired, to place no further confidence in the Home authorities on this one point. These deplorable scandals, which are of the gravest and deepest national interest, brought to light by Mr. Burdett-Coutts, have added but another spark to the already smouldering fire of Republicanism! New Zealand yields to none in her position as a progressive nation; her men at present on duty in South Africa have shown by their mettle and bravery that they are equal to Tommy Atkins, and the honour which all this and more brings to our little island home is such that we cannot afford to risk that honour by leaving it in the hands of those who do not hesitate to tarnish the fair fame of England."

"It would be straining that honour to its highest

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