

Appointments.

MATRONS.

Miss M. E. Pinsent has been appointed Matron of the Royal Orthopædic Hospital, Hanover Square, W. Miss Pinsent was trained at the London Hospital, and has held the position of Sister for the past eighteen months in the hospital, of which she has been promoted to be Matron.

Miss Amy M. Hore has been appointed Matron of the Reigate Isolation Hospital. She was trained at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, and at the London Fever Hospital. Miss Hore has also had experience as Night Superintendent at Addenbrooke's Hospital, and has had charge of the diphtheria ward at the Park Fever Hospital.

Miss Amy F. Lang has been appointed Matron of St. Luke's House, Lawn Road, Hampstead. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and worked on the private nursing staff, and has since held the position of Superintendent of Nursing at the Greek Hospital, Alexandria, from 1892-96, and for the past five years that of Superintendent of Nursing at the Hampstead Infirmary. Miss Lang is a member of the League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses.

Miss Gertrude Digwood has been appointed Matron of the Warwick Infectious Hospital. She was trained at the Warneford Hospital, Leamington, and has since held the position of Matron at the Cottage Hospital, Pershore. Miss Digwood has done six months on active service in South Africa.

Mrs. McDonnell has been appointed Matron of the County Infirmary, Longford. She was trained in obstetric nursing at the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, and has since been attached to the Trained Nurses Home at Birkdale.

Miss Jeanne Campbell has been appointed Matron of the Kyle Union Poorhouse, Ayr, N.B. She was trained at the Crichton Poorhouse, Edinburgh, where she assisted the Matron in the general work of the institution for three years.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Miss L. C. Gibbon has been appointed Assistant Matron at the Royal Infirmary, Preston. She was trained at King's College Hospital, London, and at the Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury. Miss Gibbon has also held the position of Night Superintendent at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital, Plymouth.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Isabel F. H. Buchanan has been appointed Superintendent Night Nurse at the Croydon Infirmary. She received her training at the Crumpsall Infirmary, where she has been Ward Sister.

The International Council of Nurses.*

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THE INSPIRATION.

A well developed sense of corporate responsibility in individuals is the only sure foundation on which to build the Liberties of Peoples. Failure on the part of Powers to cultivate the sacred sense of human responsibility has resulted in the enslavement of persons, and in the degradation of nations. Hence Honour—the height, the flower, the corner stone of morality—must be the inspiration of individual conduct, and the fount from which true greatness springs. The people must have knowledge to make them strong and worthy of power, and to make a human creature strong it must be given responsibility wherewith to acquire self-control.

You cannot take a human being and clothe and feed it as you would a doll-baby, and expect aught but an echo should you tap its brain, or an outflow of dry dust, whence the red blood corpuscle should spurt. Government by animal force develops cunning, as opposed to courage, in the weak, as a means of self-preservation; and yet it is the heroic virtues which must be sought after and exercised by those who hope to rise and to enjoy in all its fulness the strenuous Life.

And such virtues, to remain heroic, must be held together by the supple rose-red ribbon of Sympathy.

And fellow feeling leads to concerted action, which forges the golden links of that international chain, which will, in future ages, bind the Peoples of the Earth together, and by which they may ascend unto the everlasting hills.

THE INTERNATIONAL IDEA.

The rapid march of science and its great outcome of ever widening enlightenment and ever contracting ignorance must render it more and more impossible as time goes on for the different nations of the world to remain in racial antagonism or continue to be inspired by the pride of assumed supremacy. Indeed, there are even now signs in many directions of a desire that international friendship and mutual appreciation shall supplant the distrust and discord begotten of ignorance and greed. And with this aspiration stirring in the hearts of the worker, the philosopher, and the children of science, what could be more natural than that the women of all nations whose earthly work has to do with healing, should aspire to forge a link in this fine chain

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