

The National Associated Alumnae has gone a step farther. It has co-operated with the Society of Superintendents of Training Schools and formed the American Federation of Nurses—this Federation is affiliated to the National Council of Women of the United States—and fulfils all the conditions laid down by the Executive Committee of the International Council of Nurses. Hence, America is ready to step into the International Council just as soon as British and other European nurses are sufficiently advanced in organisation to clasp hands with her.

This is fine! Frivolous and superficial persons do not attain such results. Nothing but real hard work, and a dauntless spirit, actuated by the highest motives and strong professional convictions could have achieved such a triumph. Take it from me, the American nation succeeds because it is in earnest—be it never so sprightly.

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### Appointments.

#### LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Edith Addis has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the General Infirmary, Chester. She was trained by the Nightingale School at St. Thomas's Hospital, and has held the positions of Charge Nurse at the Union Infirmary, Bolton, Night Superintendent at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, and Assistant Matron at the General Infirmary, Leeds.

#### NURSE-MATRON.

Miss Amy Gough has been appointed Nurse-Matron at the Cottage Hospital, Moreton-in-the-Marsh. She received her training at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and has held the position of Charge-Nurse at the Park Hospital, Lewisham, and at the General Hospital, Birmingham, and of Sister and Assistant Matron at the Eye Hospital, Bristol.

### Pro Patria.

We regret to report the death at Pretoria of Miss Marion Lloyd of enteric fever and pneumonia. She left England in April, 1900, having been appointed Matron of the Welsh Hospital in South Africa. Miss Lloyd held the three years' certificate of the Bristol General Hospital, and held successively the posts of Night Sister, Senior Sister, and Assistant Matron at the Royal Infirmary, Wigan, Matron of the Cancer Hospital, Manchester, and Matron of the Infirmary, Bolton. She was one of the nurses who was recently awarded the Order of the Royal Red Cross by His Majesty the King, for her services during the war.

### Nursing Echoes.

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Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, President of the International Council of Nurses, will give an afternoon Good-bye Party to Miss McGahey on January 9th. Miss McGahey is the Honorary Vice-President of the Council for Federated Australia, and sails about the middle of January on the return voyage, after her extensive tour in England, Canada and the United States. Many friends are anxious to wish her God speed.

Of late years the great London hospitals have all been setting their houses in order, and have made a most gallant effort to bring every department up to date. Only those who have had to metamorphose these old institutions can realise what a herculean effort has been necessary to complete the good work. Thousands of pounds more are required, and no doubt they will get it.

We are glad to observe, in an interview in the *Daily News* with Mr. Phillips, the steward, that, although great things have been done, still further developments are afoot at St. Thomas' Hospital.

#### STILL FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

"But," continued Mr. Phillips, "we are on the eve of still further developments. We intend to provide an enlarged Nurses' Home, which is most earnestly needed. Few things show the enormous increase of our work more than the growing number of our nurses. In 1871, when the present blocks of the hospital were built, accommodation was considered necessary for a total of 101, that is, seventy-five nurses and twenty-six probationers. Now, our number has been so greatly increased to meet medical and surgical requirements, that we are actually accommodating with difficulty and by all sorts of expedients a total of 175.

"We have twenty-four Sisters, or head nurses, one hundred and one nurses, and fifty probationers. But we need 243, and we must have accommodation for that number. So a new Nurses' Home is an urgent necessity, even though it will cost another £50,000, for which we must ask the public.

#### MANAGING THE HOSPITAL.

"The management of such a large establishment must be a great undertaking!

"It is like governing a small town. Altogether we have 363 persons connected with our various staffs, beside 530 in-patients. We have six separate departments, each complete in itself, and having its own head. These departments are the Estates, Medical, Pharmaceutical, Nursing, and Housekeeping, Steward's and Works, while the Treasurer, Mr. J. Gaddesden

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