

the nurse until it has been previously ordered in writing by the medical man, and the exact amount prescribed for her protection in event of a catastrophe.

The nurse should also understand the method of using Dr. Maguire's formalin apparatus, that being at present much the most convenient for injecting saline solution into the veins after hæmoptysis.

Appointments.

MATRONS.

Miss Gertrude Knott has been appointed Matron of the British Lying-in Hospital, Endell Street, London. She was trained at the Hospital for Sick Children, Pendlebury, and at Guy's Hospital, where she held the position of Night Sister for a year. Miss Knott has been Assistant Matron since April, 1899, at the British Lying-in Hospital. She holds the midwifery certificate of the London Obstetrical Society, and also of the institution of which she has been appointed Matron.

Miss Theresa M. Gilburns has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at the Isolation Hospital, Belper. She was trained at the East Dulwich Infirmary, and has recently held the positions of Night Superintendent, and Sister of Male Wards at the General Hospital, Tunbridge Wells.

Miss Mary C. Allan, L.L.A., at present Matron of Tenterfield Home and Orphanage, Haddington, has been unanimously appointed Matron of Donaldson's Hospital, in succession to Miss Cunningham, who recently resigned after thirty-three years' service. There were about 200 applicants for the post.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Miss M. A. Osler has succeeded Miss McKerron as Assistant Matron, at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan. Miss Osler holds the certificate of the Wigan Infirmary, and has since the completion of her training held the position of Sister to one of the male blocks, as well as that of Night Superintendent. Her connection with the Institution extends over five years.

Miss Constance Morgan has been appointed Assistant Matron at the Bristol Royal Hospital for Sick Children. She was trained at the Dulwich Infirmary, where she also held the position of Sister, and has also been Charge Nurse at the South Western Hospital, Stockwell, and Night Superintendent at the Hospital at which she is now appointed Assistant Matron.

The Dublin Nurses' Club.

Dear Editor,—Miss Huxley, our President, has asked me to give you some information as to the progress of this club and its success since it was opened on 15th November, 1900. I have, on a former occasion, sent you an account of the club and the object in view in starting it, and you were kind enough to refer to it in your paper.

We now number 459 members, and can look back with satisfaction on a successful winter session, both as regards the numerical progress of the club and also in respect of the benefits it has conferred on the members through the medium of lectures and social gatherings. During the spring and summer months several most enjoyable cycle rides and teas were organized by the members.

The lectures were given by some of the leading physicians and surgeons of Dublin, and the subjects included "The X-rays," "Consumption," "The Brain," "Inflammation and Suppuration," which were most ably treated. In addition to the professional subjects, lectures were given on matters of more popular interest, such as "Alpine Climbing," "Animals in the Zoo," etc., which were listened to with great pleasure. On nearly every occasion the lectures were illustrated by limelight views.

Several members read papers on different occasions, and the discussions which followed gave an opportunity for the expression of opinions which must prove very helpful, "The Pros and Cons of Private Nursing on one's own account," "Notes on Neurasthenia," and "Nursing in Workhouse Hospitals" comprising the subjects.

The club, though having no registry at present, has been the means of helping both busy Matrons and nurses working on their own account, several Matrons having, through its agency, heard of nurses to take their duty while away on their holidays, and to fill other vacant places. Several members wishing to take lessons in lace work were able, by having the club rooms to meet together, and sharing the expense, have the advantage of a good teacher, and to enjoy the pleasant social hours of the lessons.

There are, I am sure, many ways which will open for the mutual benefit of all; and as we draw near the close of the first year, finding we have paid our way, encouraged by the kindness of the doctors, and feeling that nurses have benefited through the establishment of such a club, we look forward hopefully to it becoming an influential body of women, bound together by professional ties and community of interest, and animated by one desire, and with one object and aim—that of helping each other, and of elevating and ennobling by every means in their power the useful and honourable profession to which they belong. R. C. ROWDEN, *Secretary*.

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