

fomentations and the atropine will usually suffice to bring this to a satisfactory end.

It is quite rare for any serious accident to ensue, but deep suppuration and consequent loss of the eye may occasionally follow. Excessive injection, cedema of the conjunctiva and lids, and pain are the first signs of anything untoward.

The more severe inflammation is rarely benefited much by treatment. It has been tried to disinfect the eye in which suppuration has appeared by the injection of various antiseptics; freshly-prepared chlorine water seems to be well borne by the eye, and has occasionally succeeded in aborting the septic processes. All other antiseptics exercise a very injurious influence on the vitreous.

The glasses required after the successful removal of a lamellar cataract are strongly convex; as in senile cataract, a defect of about 11.0 D for distance and 14.0 D for near vision has to be made good.

It is usual to find a stationary cataract on both sides, if it occur at all, but occasionally one lens only is affected. The form is then rarely lamellar, but some other variety. Here the question of the advisability of operation is more complicated. In the first place the affected eye, if the lens is removed, will be left extremely hypermetropic, and with no power of accommodation; and, further, such an eye has rarely good visual acuity even if the correction be made, partly because the mal-development is often not wholly confined to the lens, partly because the eye has never been used in early life and has never learnt to see. The operation, therefore, if undertaken, will be largely for cosmetic reasons, though it may give a protective field on that side.

(To be continued.)

The Royal Red Cross.

The King has been graciously pleased to confer the decoration of the Royal Red Cross on Miss Annie Myers and Miss Daisy Brazier, in recognition of their services in attending to the sick and wounded soldiers in Peking during the recent operations in China.

Returning from the Front.

The following Nursing Sisters are now on their way home from South Africa:—

In the *Carisbrooke Castle*:—Sisters E. A. Harter and E. E. Vincent. Due at Southampton on October 4th.

In the *Dunera*:—Sisters A. M. Ferguson and R. Griffiths. Due at Southampton on October 9th.

On the *Kildonan Castle*:—Sisters F. A. Williams, F. Bishop, and C. Chawner. Due at Southampton on October 11th.

Appointments.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Clara L. Cater has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Farmfield Home for Inebriates at Hookwood, Horley, Surrey, under the London County Council. She was trained at the East Dulwich Infirmary, and has recently held the position of Assistant Superintendent at the Farmfield Home.

MATRON.

Miss Maude M. Bateson has been appointed Matron of the Sanatorium for Consumption, Hestwall. She received her training at the West Derby Union Infirmary, Everton, Liverpool, and has held the position of Night Superintendent at the Infirmary, Paddington, and Ward Sister at the Isolation Hospital, Wimbledon.

SISTERS.

Miss Mary I. Gordon has been appointed Sister at the Birmingham and Midland Ear and Throat Hospital. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Perth. Miss Gordon served in South Africa on the staff of the S.N.R.C. Hospital, and has been Sister of the North Riding Infirmary, Middlesbrough, and latterly Night Sister in the same institution.

Miss Julia Parker has been appointed Sister at the Ulster Hospital, Belfast. She received her training at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester.

SUPERINTENDENT NURSES.

Miss Clara Stott has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at the Workhouse, Clayton, near Bradford, under the North Bierley Union Board of Guardians. She received her training at the Union Infirmary, Birkenhead, where she also held the position of Sister; she has also been Sister at St. Giles's Infirmary, Camberwell, and Night Superintendent at the Royal Infirmary, Sheffield.

Miss Florence Kite has been appointed Superintendent Nurse at St. Olave's Union Workhouse. She was trained at the Greenwich Union Infirmary, and has held the positions of Staff Nurse at the Camberwell Infirmary, Assistant Nurse under the Eastry Union, and Superintendent Nurse at the Canterbury Infirmary.

HEAD NIGHT NURSE.

Miss Mary Ellen McMahon has been appointed Head Night Nurse at St. Olave's Union Workhouse. Her previous experience has been that of Probationer at the Children's Hospital, Temple Street, Dublin; Assistant Nurse at Cork Street Hospital, Dublin; first Assistant Nurse at the North Western Hospital, Haverstock Hill; Assistant Matron at the Foyle Hill Hospital, Dublin; and first Assistant Nurse at the Long Reach Hospital, Dartford.

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