

Appointments.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Thomas has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Edinburgh City Fever Hospital at Colinton Mains. Miss Thomas was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, with which institution she has been connected for the last twelve years, and in which at the time of her appointment to the City Fever Hospital she held the position of Assistant Lady Superintendent. The appointment seems to be an admirable one, and to have given general satisfaction.

MATRON.

Miss E. Lees has been appointed Matron of the Isolation Hospital, Warrington. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, and has held the position of Assistant Matron in the institution to which she has now been appointed Matron.

SISTER.

Miss Maria Judd has been appointed Sister of the Out-Patient Department at the Mission Hospital, Billingsgate. She was trained at the Tottenham Hospital.

HEAD NURSE.

Miss H. Jones has been appointed Head Nurse at the Eastry Union Infirmary. She was trained at the Stockport Union Infirmary, and has held the position of Staff Nurse and Sister in the same institution. She has also worked in the maternity wards at the Lambeth Workhouse, and holds the certificate of the London Obstetrical Society.

NURSE.

Miss A. E. Ball has been appointed Nurse in the Nursing Home, Free Town, Sierra Leone. She was trained and held the position of Sister at the Mill Road Infirmary, Liverpool, and as a member of the Army Nursing Service Reserve has worked in Military Hospitals at Aldershot and in South Africa.

Legal Matters.

VERDICT AGAINST A HOSPITAL NURSE.

A claim of £5 was made by the Committee of the Porth Cottage Hospital at the local county court on Friday, against Miss Blanche Bradbury, a hospital nurse, now of Middlesbrough. The circumstances were that the defendant was appointed Matron of the hospital and resigned after having been duly appointed, the Committee thereby being put to the expense of interviewing other applicants and making a fresh appointment. Mr. D. Rees (Messrs. W. R. Davies and Co.), who defended, submitted that the Committee were in precisely the same position as they would otherwise have been; but his Honour held that the Committee had incurred the expense in consequence of the defendant's action. He gave a verdict for the plaintiffs for £3 7s. 6d. Mr. W. T. Davies (Porth) was the plaintiffs' solicitor, and both he and Mr. Rees, on the suggestion of the

judge, agreed that there should be no solicitor's costs on either side.

Mental Nursing.

Dr. Robertson, the Medical Superintendent of the Stirling District Asylum, is one of the most sincere and fearless friends insane patients and asylum attendants have at this time. He has recently given it as his opinion that "no reasonable person can doubt that the male patients (in an asylum) benefit by the change to feminine care, and the relatives of male patients are unanimous on this point, and in the confidence the presence of women gives them of gentle and skilled treatment . . . to deny insane men the privilege of the best skilled nursing talent that is available would indeed be a calamity."

Dr. Robertson is organising the nursing of the patients under his charge on the only rational system, and one which alone can dispose of the controversial question of the education and registration of mental nurses.

The King's Sanatorium.

The King's Sanatorium at Midhurst, of which, by the courtesy of the *Builders' Journal*, we are able to give an illustration, is to be built from plans prepared by Mr. H. Percy Adams, F.R.I.B.A., of 28, Woburn Place, London, W.C., not from those of the winner of the first prize of £500 in the competition for the best essay on a Sanatorium for Tuberculosis in England, which was gained by Dr. Arthur Latham, associated with Mr. William West as architect. The site selected is on the southern slope of Easebourne Hill, about four miles from Midhurst and seven from Haslemere. The Sanatorium will be backed and protected by a lofty pine wood, and is practically sheltered from every quarter, except due south, by rising ground. It will command a lovely view, extending over woods of fir, pine, and oak, to the ridges of the Sussex Downs. A series of graded walks, to suit different patients, will be cut in the pine wood and moorland.

Accommodation will be provided for 100 patients, fifty men and fifty women. The original intention was to provide for those belonging to a class just above the very poor, such as teachers, governesses, clerks, and shop assistants; but His Majesty did not think it right that those who could afford to pay for skilful treatment should be excluded from the benefits of the institution, since the Sanatorium is to be the very best that can be constructed. Therefore, of the 100 beds, eighty-eight will be assigned to the more necessitous classes, while twelve will be reserved for the well-to-do. The total cost of the Sanatorium is estimated at about £75,000.

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