

account of health. During the period reported on 1,546 cases had been nursed in Edinburgh from 29, Castle Terrace, 459 cases still remaining on the books. Twenty-four thousand eight hundred and twenty-five nursing visits had been paid. It was intimated that a special donation of £100 had been received from the Countess of Selkirk to cover the excess of expenditure over income stated in last year's accounts.

Lady Victoria Campbell, Vice-President of the Argyllshire Nursing Association, writes to the press from Tiree to support Miss Guthrie Wright's views as to the adaptability of Queen's Nurses. She says: "I should like to testify that employing trained nurses in this island, for instance, was begun by the late Duke of Argyll in 1886, before the inauguration of Queen's Nurses in Scotland. Naturally, at first some of us were in doubt whether their rules, framed to meet the requirements of large, crowded cities, could be adjusted to the difficulties attendant on remote glens and widely severed islands. I can only say I could, after eleven years' experience, not on any consideration go back to the more private system. I can endorse every word of Miss Guthrie Wright's statement, added to which the fact that our doctors know they have the Institute, which cares for the interests alike of patients, doctors, and nurses, is an incalculable gain. If all our well-to-do county friends were as zealous to promote all these benefits as our Institute Council friends in Edinburgh have been, giving us grants for our poorer districts, we should have no anxiety regarding funds."

Enteric Fever Epidemic at Lincoln

The epidemic of enteric fever at Lincoln continues to spread. The Health Committee of the Corporation meets daily, and the waterworks and sanitary officials are doing their utmost to check the disease. Unfortunately the Medical Officer of Health of the City has himself been confined to his bed with bronchitis, while the Sanitary Inspector has fallen a victim to the typhoid epidemic. No quarter of the city is quite free from the disease, though its ravages are greater in some districts than others, and it has extended to the suburbs.

A Deputy Medical Officer of Health and a Deputy Sanitary Inspector have been secured from Nottingham, and through the instrumentality of Mrs. C. H. Seely, the wife of the city member, six nurses have been sent down by the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute and from several of the London Nursing Societies. These ladies and others from provincial towns are assisting Miss Bromhead's local trained nurses in attending to the needs of the sick poor. As chairwoman of the local Committee of the Queen Victoria Fund, Mrs. Seely has got a number of local ladies to assist in the formation of depôts where comforts for patients may be obtained, and a public appeal is being made

for funds and for gifts of old linen, sheets, &c., and of invalid foods and good brandy.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

APPOINTMENTS AS STAFF NURSES.—Miss A. B. Cameron (Wynberg, Cape Colony), Miss H. M. E. Macartney, Miss E. M. Rentzsch, Miss S. O. Beamish, Miss E. C. Armstrong, Miss A. C. Mowat, Miss E. M. Lang (to Lincoln for temporary duty), Miss M. Antrobus, Miss K. Roscoe, Miss A. A. Steer, Miss F. E. Davies, Miss M. M. A. Copinger, Miss M. Davis, Miss C. D. E. F. Dunn, Miss H. Hartigan.

RESIGNATIONS.—The following Staff Nurses have resigned their appointments:—Miss F. E. C. Watson, Miss A. S. Wyatt.

CHANGES OF STATION.—*Matrons*: Miss C. M. Chadwick, R.R.C., to Curragh, on expiration of leave; Miss M. Russell, R.R.C., to Alton on expiration of leave; Miss M. Thomas, R.R.C., to Dover on return from South Africa. *Sisters*: Miss M. M. Blakely, to Egypt from Curragh; Miss A. FitzGerald, to Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot, on return from Indian Troopship Service; Miss S. Lamming, to Cadet Hospital, Royal Military Academy, Woolwich; Miss D. I. Rickards, to Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich, on expiration of leave; Miss E. C. Humphreys, to transport *Plassy* for Indian Troopship Service from Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot.

APPOINTMENTS CONFIRMED.—*Staff Nurses*: Miss H. M. Drage, Miss B. Rennie, Miss L. M. Toller, Miss L. F. A. Waller.

Legal Matters.

Miss Evelyn Neison, the daughter of a barrister, is bringing an action against the Governors of the London Hospital for wrongful dismissal. Miss Neison entered the London Hospital for training in February, 1900, was promoted to Sister's duties before she had completed two years' service, and was dismissed just before she had completed the four years' contract without a four years' certificate. As the arrangements for service and certification at the London differ from those of every other hospital in London, the case when it comes on for trial should be of interest to the profession.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the *American Journal of Nursing Company* was held in New York on January 19th. There were seventy-four votes cast, resulting in the election of the following members to be the directors for the coming year:—Miss Isabel McIsaac, Miss M. E. P. Davis, Miss Annie Damer, Miss Mary M. Riddle, and Miss Jane A. Delano.

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