

organic silver compound morning and night. After the conjunctiva has become smooth, treatment is continued by the application of a solution of tannic acid in glycerine, forty grains to the ounce. In the variety with hard follicles, the copper sulphate crayon is applied to the conjunctiva, excess being washed away with boric acid. In the third stage, with cicatricial contraction of the lids and pannus, the writer recommends rubbing the conjunctival surface with castor oil, and making superficial linear scarifications with the knife. Copper crayon is also useful. Pannus should be treated by hot applications and atropine. Larger vessels may be divided at the corneal margin by the actual cautery.

The following slip is advised to be given to all trachoma cases, and will be found to be of much use in large clinics:—

Instructions to those having Trachoma.—Trachoma is a contagious disease of the eyelids, which if neglected will cause suffering and injury to the sight.

To avoid infecting others, those having the disease should observe carefully the following instructions:—

1. They should have their own towels, handkerchiefs, wash cloths, and toilet articles, which under no circumstances should be used by others.
2. They should sleep alone.
3. Avoid rubbing or touching the eyes, as the contagion may be carried on the fingers, and infect others through articles handled.
4. The hands should be cleaned often with soap and water.
5. Treatment should be attended to regularly, and continued until pronounced cured by the physician.

RAGS AND HUMAN ANTHRAX.

At the resumed inquest in Yorkshire on a rag-sorter named Beatrice Lister, whose death, it is alleged, was due to anthrax contracted while working among foreign rags, a letter was read in which Mr. Legge, of the Home Office, wrote:—"I am much interested in the case, as it is difficult to realise that death could be associated with anthrax sixteen weeks after the disease was contracted." One doctor attributed death to consumption, but Dr. Kaye, medical officer to the West Riding County Council, said that bacteriological examination showed the anthrax bacillus in the girl's blood. If anthrax were contracted from these rags, the case was unparalleled, death usually resulting within nine days.

Appointments.

MATRONS.

Miss F. A. Haig Brown has been appointed Lady Superintendent and Matron of the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, City Road, E.C. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, and has held the appointments of Matron to the District Infirmary, Ashton-under-Lyne, and Sister-in-Charge of the Nightingale Home, St. Thomas's Hospital, London.

Miss C. Alice Barling has been appointed Matron of the Isolation Hospital, Ilford. Miss Barling was trained at St. Mary's Hospital, London, and has for several years been Matron of the Borough Sanatorium, Folkestone.

Miss Annie J. Bell has been appointed Matron of the Birmingham and Midland Free Hospital for Sick Children. She was trained at the Evelina Hospital for Children, and at Guy's Hospital, London, and has held the positions of Sister at the former, and Housekeeping Sister at the latter institution.

Miss Edith M. Procter has been appointed Matron of the Blackpool Sanatorium Infectious Diseases Hospital. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, and at the Cardiff Infectious Diseases Hospital. Miss Procter has also been Matron of the Isolation Hospital, Llantwit Fardre, Pontypridd, Matron Rhondda Fever Hospital, and Deputy Matron at the Cardiff Infectious Diseases Hospital.

SISTERS.

Miss Elizabeth M. Thornewill has been appointed Sister at Shoreditch Infirmary. She was trained at King's College Hospital and Queen Charlotte's Lying-In Hospital. She has since been Staff Nurse at King's College Hospital, and Midwife under the Kingswood District Nursing Association.

Miss J. E. Petry has been appointed Sister at the Kensington Infirmary, London, in which institution she has been trained.

CHARGE NURSE.

Miss Ruth Jones has been appointed Charge Nurse at the General Hospital, Stroud. She was trained at the General Hospital, Birmingham, and has since been Staff Nurse in the same institution, and Night Sister at the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children, Brighton.

SUPERVISOR OF MIDWIVES.

Miss Lilian Kate Trendall has been appointed County Superintendent and Supervisor of Midwives of the Hereford County Nursing Association. She was trained at the West London Hospital and York County Hospital, and in midwifery at 5, Little James Street, Holborn. Miss Trendall has been a Queen's Nurse for two years at Gosport, and Superintendent Nurse for ten months at Swansea.

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