

Appointments.

MATRONS.

New Hospital for Women, Euston Road, N.W.—Miss McNeil has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.

Kettering Joint Isolation Hospitals.—Miss Eva McLroy has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Wolverhampton and Staffordshire General Hospital, and has held the position of Charge Nurse and Assistant Matron at the Southampton Isolation Hospital, and of Matron of the High Wycombe Borough Infectious Hospital.

Victoria Infirmary, Northwich.—Miss Louisa Strickland has been appointed Matron out of 111 applicants. She was trained at University College Hospital, London, where she also held the position of Sister. She has also been Night Superintendent and Theatre Sister at the Samaritan Free Hospital, London.

INSPECTORS OF MIDWIVES

Oxfordshire County Council.—Mrs. Florence E. Pearse has been appointed Inspector of Midwives, under the Oxfordshire County Council. She was trained at the East End Mothers' Home, Commercial Road, E., and has held the position of District Nurse in connection with the Acland Home, Oxford.

SISTERS.

Islington Infirmary, Highgate Hill.—Miss Mary Naile has been appointed Sister. She was trained at Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Dublin, and at the Rotunda Hospital, and has held the position of Nurse at the London Throat Hospital, and of Charge Nurse at the North Dublin Infirmary.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

Miss Cathlin C. du Sautoy has been appointed Superintendent of the Somerset County Nursing Association, affiliated to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, and Inspector of Midwives under the Somerset County Council. Miss du Sautoy is a Queen's Nurse having received her hospital training at Guy's Hospital and her district training at the Metropolitan Nursing Association, Bloomsbury Square. She holds the C.M.B. certificate.

Miss Emma A. S. Pilgrim has been appointed Assistant to the Superintendent of the Somerset County Nursing Association, affiliated to the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. Miss Pilgrim is a Queen's Nurse, having worked on the staff of the Newhall Street Home, Birmingham, and subsequently at Kenilworth; she holds the C.M.B. certificate.

Miss Julie A. Jacobs has been appointed Assistant to the Superintendent of the Hampshire Nursing Association affiliated to Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. She received her district training at Hammersmith, and holds the C.M.B. certificate.

Miss Susannah H. Taylor has been appointed Senior Nurse of the Kettering District Nursing Association, affiliated to the Queen's Institute. She was appointed a Queen's Nurse in January, 1905, and has worked on the staff of the Camberwell Home.

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Nurses and others who are desirous of obtaining copies of the Nurses' Petition in favour of State Registration of Nurses for presentation to the Prime Minister next Session can do so by applying to the Hon. Secretary, Nurses' Petition, 431, Oxford Street, London, W. As the time for organising the Petition is short, we hope that friends of the cause will make a point of asking for copies as soon as possible, and of obtaining signatures before everyone is overwhelmed in the rush of the Christmas season.

Captain A. Carpenter, R.N. (retired) makes publicly some severe strictures on the treatment which seamen receive in Naval Hospitals. In one hospital to which he particularly refers he states that there are no female trained nurses, and the male nurses are the ordinary half-trained young sick-berth attendants—mere hobbledoys at the best. He gives instances in proof:—“In a case that came under my notice this year,” he writes, “the patient was in the fever stage of typhoid, recovery from which, as is well known, entirely depends on trained nursing. The doctor ordered the patient to be washed, and this is how the nurse set about it. First, he pulled all the bedclothes back to the patient's feet. Then he turned the patient's pyjamas up to his knees. He then left the room, leaving the door and a window open, to get the water. When remonstrated with he lost his temper, and slammed the door so that the room shook. On another occasion, at night, the patient rang the bell for a whole hour without anyone replying, although the bell could be heard plainly in the corridor.”

It is now six years since Mr. Austen Chamberlain, then Civil Lord of the Admiralty, received a deputation from the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, when the reforms considered necessary in nursing in the Navy were placed before him. We are not aware that any steps have been taken to modernise the system of nursing in Naval Hospitals. Here is a great

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