

Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

Transfers and Appointments.—Miss Eliza Monro, to Coventry, as Superintendent (temp.); Miss Louisa J. Attree, to Enfield; Miss Lois Dawson, to East London; Miss Ernestine Edgcumbe, to Gower, South Wales; Miss K. B. Harrison, to Heanor (temp.); Miss Minnie Jarvis, to Woolwich, from Gosport; Miss R. Knight, to Warrington; Miss Jean Neilson, to Southborough; Miss Kathleen Rogers, to Crook.

Presentation to Miss M. E. MacDonnell.

An interesting event took place on Saturday at 86, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin, when Miss M. E. MacDonnell, late Superintendent of the Nurses' Co-operative Home, was the recipient of an illuminated address and a handsome medical electrical battery, presented to her by the Nurses of her staff as a token of their regret and good wishes on her departure to India. The Nurses present having expressed their sorrow to Miss MacDonnell at losing her, the latter replied in suitable terms.

Resignation of Miss J. C. Child.

We regret to announce the resignation of Miss J. C. Child, of the position of Lady Superintendent of the New Somerset Hospital, at Cape Town. As we all know with what devotion Miss Child has performed her duties, and how much attached she is to her work in South Africa, we feel sure her determination to resign has not been come to hastily, or without a struggle. But conscientious people cannot continue to hold office when those in authority ignore them. At a recent meeting of the Board of Management of the hospital, Mr. Anderson accused it of "a peddling, meddling policy," which has resulted in the resignation of two first class officials, Dr. Moffat and Miss Child. Instead of energetically canvassing for funds, and thus maintaining the present efficient management of the hospital, the Board appears to imagine that a decrease of doctors and nurses will answer the purpose. In our opinion it is a form of economy which is highly undesirable and dangerous. An over-worked staff means badly tended patients, and where this is the case the Board of Management proves itself incompetent, and should be superseded by more energetic and capable persons, who have the confidence of the public, and to whom they are willing to trust the expenditure of their alms.

We hear Miss Child is receiving many expressions of regret at her departure from Cape Colony.

Nursing Echoes.

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Sir Julian Goldsmid's Home at Brighton has had its spring clean, and all the beds but two are engaged for next week. Those wishing to spend their Easter holiday there should arrange for their reception at once.

There was a very pleasant *Conversazione* for Nurses at the Church Missionary House, Salisbury Square, E.C., on Wednesday last, when the guests were received by Lady Dodsworth. Tea was served in the Committee Room, and, in the Library, Mrs. Hind and Miss Reed from Japan gave a most realistic demonstration of a Japanese reception. It seems etiquette in Japan to disparage your own children, and to extol the virtues of those of your friend. Mrs. Hind also gave an account of mission work in Japan, and especially in the hospitals during the war. A number of patients from districts to which Christian teachers have not yet penetrated, returned to their homes, having learnt something of Christianity. The nurses in the hospitals stated that the books given to the patients were carefully read, and often posted to their friends afterwards. Mrs. Bond, from Toro, Central Africa, also gave a very interesting account of the hospital work there. An interesting patient was a pigmy woman who underwent a serious operation. One hears of newly born infants being fed on strange diets, but none stranger than that favoured by the Toro mothers, who give their babies mushrooms with disastrous results.

It may not be generally known, says the *Daily News*, that the Education Committee of the London County Council maintain a staff of medical officers, and also of school nurses, to regularly visit the Council schools, both provided and non-provided, to inspect and supervise the cleanliness and health of the children.

Armed with a pencil and a sharp eye, the nurse inspects the pupils. Experience quickens her vision, and no child who really needs at-

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