

nurses now and in their efforts to gain professionalism, care must be taken not to obliterate that side of life for which the cross stands. (At the Banquet at the Hotel de Ville, in Paris, Mrs. Hampton Robb laid great stress on this point.)

The Secretary of the League and myself gave an account of the perils, and, to be truthful, the many additional pleasures we gained through our lack of a perfect knowledge of the Gaelic tongue, which caused considerable amusement to our listeners.

The President referred to the absence of Miss Ellis, a Vice-President, through illness.

Mrs. Bond, having proposed a vote of thanks to Sister Agnes Karll, seconded by Sister Jessie, it was heartily responded to.

The meeting adjourned to partake of tea and strawberries, very prettily served, to which other visitors came, amongst them some of the Medical Staff, and the House Governor, after which the new wards were visited, so bringing to an end a most delightful and happy evening.

ELINOR PELL SMITH,  
Vice-President, L.I.N.L.

## Progress of State Registration.

The *Daily Mail* has done many useful bits of work for the community in general, but in giving space to exposing the "bogus nurse" the "nurse thief," and those criminal women who under our present unorganised condition exploit the public in nurses' uniform, it has tackled a scandal to which this Journal alone has so far had the courage to give publicity, and every well-trained, respectable nurse owes it a debt of gratitude.

With upwards of a million circulation, the *Daily Mail* is very powerful, and we sincerely hope that it will not let this question, which is of national importance, drop, until it has been thoroughly thrashed out, and the public convinced that at present it has no guarantee that the nurses it employs are either qualified or trustworthy, and as a result of this conviction that they will insist upon Parliament protecting them from purloiners, poisoners, and prostitutes posing as nurses. The only remedy is by an Act for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, defining the term "trained nurse," and making it compulsory that anyone using it shall submit to an independent examination, and shall satisfy a Nursing Council appointed under the authority of the State that they possess the qualifications necessary to render them safe attendants on the sick.

In the meantime we advise every nurse to read the *Daily Mail*, and put at its disposal any useful information they may possess on the points under discussion.

## Appointments.

### MATRONS.

**Union Infirmary, East Dulwich Grove.**— Miss Isabel Kemp has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General Hospital, Northampton, and has held in succession at the Dulwich Infirmary the positions of Head Nurse, Night Superintendent, Home Sister, and First Assistant Matron, so that she has well earned promotion to the important position of Matron of the Institution in which she has done so much good work.

**Jumpers Joint Hospital, Cleveland, South Africa.**— Miss Edith M. Brawn has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Walsall and District Hospital, and was appointed Sister at the Branch Seamen's Hospital, London. In South Africa Miss Brawn has held the positions of Sister at the New Somerset Hospital, Cape Town, and Matron of the Uitenhage Hospital, Cape Colony.

**Kilton Hill Infirmary, Worksop.**— Miss Lillian Evans has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Birkenhead Infirmary, and was promoted to the position of Sister. Miss Evans has also held the positions of Sister and Assistant Matron at the Kilton Hill Infirmary, and is a certified midwife.

**Keighley and Bingley Joint Hospital.**— Miss Annie Hill, the Chief Nurse at the Hospital, has been appointed Matron.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.**— Miss Beatrice Cutler has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained and certificated at the hospital from 1885 to 1888, and has had a very interesting professional career. Miss Cutler was appointed Sister and worked at the Kasr-el-Aini Hospital, Cairo, 1888-92; Supt. of the Medical School for Girls, Cairo, 1892-98; Matron of the Victoria Home Hospital, Cairo, 1898-1901; and Matron of the Much Wenlock Hospital to 1902 when she returned to her Alma Mater as Home Sister, a difficult position she has held with very great success. Miss Cutler is also a certified midwife and masseuse.

**London Homœopathic Hospital.**— Miss C. Robinson has been appointed Housekeeper and Matron's Assistant. She was trained at St. Thomas' Hospital, and has held the positions of Sister, Royal Hospital, Portsmouth, and is at present Sister at Charing Cross Hospital. There were 49 candidates for the post.

**Cheddleton Asylum, Leek.**— Miss Ethel Howard has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the same institution, where she was promoted to the position of Sister. Miss Howard has been Night Superintendent at The Retreat, York.

### NIGHT-SISTER.

**Royal United Hospital, Bath.**— Miss E. I. Bartlett has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at the Hospital from 1901-4, and was the Gold Medallist of her year. She has also held the position of Staff Nurse, done Sister's duties

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