

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Appointments.—The following ladies have received appointments as Staff Nurse:—Miss K. A. Broade and Miss C. Skinner.

Postings and Transfers.—*Matrons.*—Miss A. Garriock, R.R.C., as Principal Matron to South Africa, from Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich; Miss A. L. Cox, to South Africa, from Military Hospital, Shorncliffe.

Sisters.—Miss E. M. Fairchild, to South Africa; Miss S. Lamming, to Cambridge Hospital, Alder-shot.

Staff Nurses.—Miss A. R. Hyslop, to Military Hospital, Chatham; Miss A. Lee, to Military Hospital, Portsmouth (on appointment); Miss J. S. G. Gardner, to the Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Millbank, London; Miss L. M. Draper, to s.s. Plassy for duty.

Promotions.—The undermentioned Sisters to be Matrons:—Miss A. Nixon and Miss E. A. Cox.

The undermentioned Staff Nurses to be Sisters.—Miss A. B. Cameron, Miss E. M. Goard, Miss E. M. Lang, and Miss E. J. Minns.

Appointments Confirmed.—*Staff Nurses:* Miss E. M. Lovell and Miss F. Macpherson.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Transfers and Appointments.—Miss Janet Arnott, to New Mills; Miss Julia B. Gillies, to Chelsea; Miss Annie E. W. Mountain, to Sawston; Miss Evelyn I. Pocock, to Liversedge (temp.).

EXAMINATIONS.

Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital.—Reporting on his recent examination of the Nurses of the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Dr. John R. Bradford, London, says that all showed "a thorough knowledge of their duties, and, further, that Nurse Bartlett obtained the highest number of marks and Nurse Hamilton the next highest. The list of successful candidates is as follows:—Nurses Bartlett 1,900 marks, Hamilton 1,848, Grimaldi 1,803, Gold 1,770, Fell 1,758, Michelmore 1,749, Jones 1,746, Beckwith 1,711, Farrington 1,709, David 1,694, Hughes 1,653, Gooding 1,643, Old 1,619, Battle 1,582, Frances 1,574, Hogg 1,528, Phillips 1,534, Buckley 1,503. The first two Nurses were awarded gold and silver medals by Lady Duckworth-King at the hospital on Wednesday, December 18th.

In connection with the nurses who gained distinction in the examination at the Bristol General Hospital recently, referred to in our issue last week, we desire to correct a printer's error; the announcement should read: "Gold Medal, and Lottie Culverwell Memorial Prize, Nurse M. Davies.

Countess Bathurst on Monday opened a sale of work at Middlesex Hospital in aid of the fund for providing a new organ for the Hospital Chapel. The sale was organised by the Lady Superintendent, Miss Vernet, and Sister May (Miss Habgood), and the members of the nursing staff in charge of the stalls were kept busy in disposing of the pretty trifles with which they were laden.

Nursing Echoes.

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There is good news for the children, rich and poor, from Covent Garden Market. It is reported that the demand for Christmas trees is unprecedented. Last year, between forty and fifty thousand trees were sold, and this year there is a regular boom in them. This means that in the wards where sick children are to be found, much pain will be forgotten at the sight of these most entrancing trees, glistening and covered with a delightful snow which never melts, each branch laden with glorious fruits, delightful toys, and twinkling lights. In many wards the joy is prolonged for days. The tree is smuggled in, hidden behind screens, and there dressed by Sisters and nurses. On Christmas Day it is hailed with cries of delight, when in all its glory it is first displayed to view. And there all beauteous it grows for days—the last thing the tinies see as they drop off to sleep, the first thing they look for and acclaim in the morning. Then one fine day Sister has a party, and amidst a passion of emotion the tree is relieved of all its gifts, each child receiving by some mysterious process, known only to the nursing staff, the very things its heart desires. Christmas in hospital is a very happy time.

At a meeting last week of the Council of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, at which Viscount Goschen presided, a scheme was approved whereby the Institute should take out a pension policy in the R.N.P.F. for any Queen's Nurse who is herself insured, and pays a premium of at least 5s. a month, provided that the nursing association for which she is working will pay 5s. a month premium on the policy taken out by the Institute. Provision is made in the event of a nurse moving on to another association, which will not pay the premiums that the policy shall remain in abeyance until premiums are once more paid on it. In the event of the nurse ceasing to be a Queen's Nurse within five years of the policy being taken out, the premiums will be returned to whoever paid them, at the expira-

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