

the post to which she is now appointed. She is a certified midwife.

CHARGE NURSE.

Woolstanton and Burslem Union.—Miss Mary Ann Price has been appointed Charge Nurse. She was trained at the Union Infirmary, Salford, and has worked a District Nurse under the Eccles and Patricroft Association.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Corporation of Manchester.—Miss Florence E. M. Gibbs has been appointed Health Visitor of a district in Manchester. She was trained at the Kingston Infirmary, Surrey, and has held the position of Sister at the Union Hospital, Bradford.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Staff Nurse Miss Margaret E. Don is confirmed in her appointment, her period of provisional service having expired.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Transfers and Appointments.—Miss Catherine E. Beresford to Narberth, Miss Alice M. Carlton to Rotherhithe, Miss Alexina Cowee to Southampton (temp.), Miss Annie Foster to Warrington, Miss Mary McKay to Stockton and Thornaby, Miss Lydia M. Parnell to Bath, Miss Ada Mary Taylor to Wheathampstead, Miss Ethel Walmsley to Burnley, Miss Lucy E. Way to Baschurch.

THE PEOPLE'S BARGAIN SALE.

Princess Henry of Battenberg, on Friday, May 22nd, opened the "People's Bargain Sale" at the Caxton Hall, Westminster, on behalf of the Army and Navy Male Nurses' Co-operation. The *mise-en-scene* was excellent. The bargains were not obtrusive; the centre of the hall was fitted with a charming stall filled with lovely flowers, and decorated in blue and white. "The Flag," some of the copies being signed by Lord Roberts, occupied another stall, and some pretty dolls a third. The helpers, too, were numerous and picturesque. Miss McCaul, the Hon. Secretary, and others, were in dove-coloured Quaker gowns with deep white cambric collars and plain caps with black velvet crowns. A Highland lassie, picturesque and charming, dainty maidens in bright coloured cotton gowns, with white fichus and beribboned hats, clowns who later took part in the programme of the *café chantant*, to which many artistes, including Miss Constance Collier, gave their services, the "Black Witch of Persia," in long scarlet cloak and tall black steeple hat, all contributed their share to a lively and picturesque scene, while "Astral" in a secluded booth was prepared—for a consideration—to peer into the future on behalf of those consulting him. It was all very gay and animated, but whether such a sale is a dignified method of obtaining financial assistance for a professional association of nurses, because—as explained by Sir Frederick Treves—the money earned by the nurses is handed to them minus "a commission which is so small that it does not suffice to meet working expenses," is another question. Anyway the women nurses who have formed themselves into co-operations meet their expenses out of the income derived from percentages.

Nursing Echoes.



The Musical Society and Nursing Staff of St. Bartholomew's Hospital gave a very enjoyable Concert in the Grand Hall of the Hospital on the evening of May 21st, in aid of the Fund for the new Nurses' Home, which is so urgently needed. Madame Agnes Nicholls, Sir Charles Santley, and Mr. W. H. Squire (violin-cello) were the soloists, and the orchestra and chorus of the Hospital Musical Society supplied the remainder of the programme. With such a good selection of music, and all of it well rendered, the audience could not do otherwise than thoroughly enjoy it, and their appreciation of each item was shown by hearty applause. No encores were given in the first part, although enthusiastically demanded, the "Butterfly's Song" which delighted everyone being sung with great feeling by Mme. Agnes Nicholls. In the second part, the same artiste, Sir Charles Santley, and Mr. W. H. Squire each gave an encore. When all were excellent, it is difficult to mention any particular song as being the most pleasing, but mention must be made of "The Rosary" and "To Anthea," two charming songs given by Sir Charles Santley, to which he gave as an encore "Simon the Cellarer," which caused great amusement. After singing "Come, O come, my life's delight," Mme. Agnes Nicholls was presented with a beautiful bouquet. Mr. W. H. Squires' violoncello solos were so good that some of the audience thought them the best part of the concert. If the proceeds of the concert equal the quality of the music, the fund for which it was given should benefit largely. The pretty uniforms of the members of the Nursing Staff who sang in the chorus, added much to the picturesque effect.

St. George's Hospital Gazette reports that a very useful piece of sick-room furniture has just been patented by Sister Rowson of the Williams Ward. It is a support and head-rest for patients who are suffering from heart-disease, when an upright position in bed is necessary.

The apparatus consists of a light bent-wood frame standing bridge-wise across the bed, and supporting adjustable and well-padded head and arm rests. The peculiar advantages of this invention are that, being unattached to the

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