

"*Chacun pour soit et Dieu pour tous*" is their motto, and thus, the American training school in Beirût, with six pupils, has had to resort to the Missions at Marash and Aintah for Armenians. Armenians are not as quick as the Syrians, but they are more hard-working, more serious, independent, and, with their grit and indomitable wills, have, notwithstanding the most cruel persecutions and difficulties, attained some of the highest posts in the Turkish Empire and in Egypt, and, unlike any other Easterns, they have shown true talent for music and art, and are more intellectually evolved than any others. They are essentially mountain people, they are bellicose, clannish, and full of grit, and personally, I think they have more the qualities and characteristics which make good nurses than Syrians.

The course of study at the American Training School is the following:—

First Year.—Text-book of Nursing, containing elementary anatomy, physiology, and materia medica, bandaging, bacteriology, urinalysis, practical ward work, and all simpler treatments.

Second Year.—Anatomy and physiology, text-book and lectures; materia medica, text-book and lectures; dietetics and massage.

Third Year.—Obstetrics and gynecology, text-book and lectures; infant feeding, surgical and medical emergencies, lectures; the nursing of special and contagious diseases, lectures.

I was not a little delighted to see amongst the text-books used an old friend, Miss L. Dock's "*Materia Medica*."

The rules and qualifications necessary for admittance are the following:—

1. A candidate must have completed her 17th year.
2. She must possess a good moral character.
3. She must have sound health.
4. She must have a general secondary education or its equivalent.
5. She must have a knowledge of English sufficient to ensure a thorough study of the text-books used in the studies of the course.
6. She must pay an entrance-fee of £2.

The school year begins October 1st. The first four months are a probation period; a graduation fee of £1 is charged. A vacation of four weeks a year is given. No salary is given, but an allowance for books, etc., is made at the rate of 3s. 4d. a month the first year, and 6s. 8d. the two following. Thus, this training school, tiny plant as it is, is founded on a true and good foundation, and those who are at the head of it are in it heart and soul, and may their every good and noble dream be realised.

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Appointments.

MATRONS.

Swindon Victoria Hospital.—Miss Edith Hobbs has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal United Hospital, Bath, where she was gold medallist of her year, and has held the position of Sister at the hospital, Weston-super-Mare, Night Superintendent at Chalmers Hospital, Edinburgh, and Matron at the Hospital, Castle Douglas.

Infectious Hospital, Bishop Auckland.—Miss Alice Blanche Booth has been appointed Matron of No. 1 Infectious Hospital, Bishop Auckland. She was trained at the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, and has held the position of Nurse at the Lynn Isolation Hospital, Matron of the Cottage Hospital, Ramsbottom, and Home-Sister and Assistant Matron of the City Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Chelsea Infirmary, S.W.—Miss Edith Holden has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, where during the last year she has taken temporary ward Sister's and housekeeping duties, and is at present acting as Night Superintendent in the same institution. Miss Holden succeeds Miss Mutter, who is leaving to be married.

SISTERS.

Grimsby and District Hospital.—Miss E. A. Pidgeon has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Truro, where she has held the position of Sister. She has also been Sister at the Children's Hospital, Derby.

Morningfield Hospital, Aberdeen.—Miss Elizabeth Fiddes has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, and has held the position of Charge Nurse at the Aberdeen City Poorhouse Hospital, Oldmill.

NIGHT SISTER.

Morningfield Hospital, Aberdeen.—Miss Adelaide Maclean has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, and has had experience of private nursing.

LADY INSPECTOR OF MIDWIVES.

Berkshire County Council.—Miss B. E. Olphert has been appointed Inspector of Midwives. She was trained at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital and at the East End Mothers' Home, and for five years worked in connection with Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute. She has also held the position of Superintendent of the Gloucestershire Nursing Association, and Inspector of Midwives under the Gloucestershire County Council.

SCHOOL NURSES.

Brighton Education Committee.—Miss Nora M. Henson has been appointed School Nurse to assist the School Doctor under the Education (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1907. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and has had two years' experience of private nursing. She has also had two years' experience of private nursing, and has held posts at the Royal Infirmary.

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