Appointments.

HEAD OF MATERNITY DEPARTMENT.

Cardiff and District Branch, Q.V.J.I. - Miss Catherine Peter has been appointed Head of the Maternity Department, under the General Superintendent. She was trained at the Hospital for Women, Liverpool; in Midwifery at the Liverpool Lying-in Hospital; and in District work at the Liverpool Branch of the Queen's Nurses' Institute. She has worked as a Queen's Nurse in Liverpool, and as Sister-Midwife in charge of a Branch Home under the Liverpool Ladies' Charity.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.

Cardiff and District Branch. Q.V.J.I.- Miss H. E. Robinson has been appointed Assistant Superintendent. She received her training in District Nursing at the Shoreditch Queen's Nurses' Home, and in Midwifery at the Louise Margaret Hospital, Aldershot. She has held the position of Night Superintendent at the North Staffordshire Infirmary, and of Queen's Nurse at Shoreditch and at Kingston-on-Thames.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

St. Luke's Hospital, Halifax. - Miss M. A. Barnes has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at St. Luke's Hospital, Halifax, and has held the position of Sister in the same institution. She has also had experience of private nursing, and worked in Lincoln during the epidemic of enteric fever.

The Royal Hospital, Chelsea, SW.-Miss Anna Hill has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the General Hospital, Birmingham, where she held the position of Sister for three years. She also had experience of military nursing for two years, during the South African war, and subsequently worked for four years as a private nurse in connection with Princess Christian's Home at Windsor. She has been Sister at the Heritage, Chailey, under the Guild of Poor Brave Things, and is a Certified Midwife.

WARD SISTER.

Fulham Infirmary, Hammersmith. – Miss Esther Luckett has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at the Children's Hospital, Birmingham, for three years, and at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, for a similar period. Before receiving her training in the latter institution, she had two years' experience in private nursing in connection with the Nursing Home, Stratford-on-Avon.

CHARGE NURSE.

Union Workhouse Infirmary, Deanhouse, near Huddersfield.—Miss Henrietta Lavinia Watmough has been appointed Charge Nurse. She was trained at the Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan, and has held the position of Charge Nurse under the Bradford Board of Guardians and at the David Lewis Colony, near Alderley Edge.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

The under-mentioned Staff Nurses to be Sisters, dated January 28th, 1909:---Miss Johannah Murphy and Miss Susana N. Daly.

Hursing Echoes.



During the recent visit of State to Berlin, Queen Alexandra. accompanied by the German Empress, paid a visit to the Virchow Hospital, a magnificent institution recently established by the city on the most modern principles. Their Majesties were received by Dr. Kirschner the Chief Burgomaster, and by the City Coun-

cillors and the physicians who are responsible for the conduct and direction of the hospital. After having been shown the main features of the establishment, Queen Alexandra, who was accompanied by the Countess of Antrim and Miss Knollys, made a careful inspection of the Gynæcological Department and addressed words of sympathy to many of the patients. The visit lasted for over an hour, and at the close her Majesty expressed to the officials her high appreciation of the arrangements.

Mr. Alfred Austin, the Poet Laureate, writes to the press in support of Miss Hanbury's Home of Rest and Recovery for 70 victims of the Messina earthquake, midway between Ventimiglia and Bordighera, which he has visited. Miss Hanbury is helped in her merciful work by the nuns of the Confraternity of Martha, so called because their duty lies within suffering households. She placed beds for 70 patients, whom the Italian railways transported, free from charge, from Genoa and Leghorn, in an unused hotel lent for the purpose. Many of the beds were generously lent, and some good priests at Bordighera sent their own, saying they meanwhile could sleep on the floor. Funds are urgently needed to keep the Home open till the middle of April.

The Committee of the London Homepathic Hospital have applied to the Polytechnics Committee for a lecturer to give instruction to mothers on the rearing of infants. A large number of women attend the outpatients' children's department of the hospital on two mornings a week, and the physician in charge has suggested that it would be doing a good work if a lecturer could attend and give the mothers some directions as to the principles of cleanliness, food, and the best method of nursing infants, as the majority of them appear to be quite ignorant on these matters. The Committee stated that



