MATERNITY HOME CASE AT HARLESDEN.

A case of the utmost interest to midwives and nurses is now being tried at Willesden, Mrs. Helen Swaine Pass, of 110, Craven Park, Harlesden, having been summoned by two nurses for knowingly, by certain false pretences, obtaining respectively £15 15s. and £18 18s. from them in return for midwifery training to qualify them for the examination of the Central Midwives' Board. As no one in Mrs. Pass's Maternity Home was qualified to sign the necessary documents for the Board the return of fees was claimed.

An Important Appointment.

The news of the appointment of Miss Jane A. Delano, R.N., as Superintendent of the Army Nurse Corps of the United States of America, will occasion sincere pleasure to her many international friends. The position is one of great and increasing responsibility, and it will be unanimously agreed that Miss Delano will respond to its calls with ability.

Miss Delano is a graduate of the great Bellevue Hospital, New York City, and preceded Miss Goodrich as Superintendent of the Nurse Training School attached to it. Recently she has taken a deep interest in Red Cross work in the United States, and is a member of the Committee of the New York County Sub-Division of the National Red Cross, of which division she is Superintendent of Nurses.

Miss Delano was elected this year President of the Nurses' Associated Alumnæ of the United States, a proof of the high estimation in which she is held by her colleagues, and as their representative she attended, as an official delegate of the American Federation of Nurses, the Quinquennial Meeting of the International Council of Nurses and Congress in London, in which she took an active part. Needless to say, Miss Delano made a most favourable impression in London. A handsome, dignified woman of the world, with a well-balanced mind, she presented her views from the platform with fluency and conviction. Socially she has all the unaffected charm of manner for which American women are famous, and she will no doubt adapt herself admirably to her new and influential sphere of work.

The position of the Superintendent of the Army Nurse Corps, U.S.A., corresponds to that of our own Matron-in-Chief, and her office forms part of the department of the Surgeon-General in the magnificent War Buildings at Washington, where, some years ago, we were most courteously received by Mrs. Dita H. Kinney, the retiring Superintendent, who has given ten years' patriotic work to her country.

We heartily wish Miss Jane A. Delano, R.N., a happy and successful term of office, during which term we hope the members of the Army Nurse Corps of the United States may receive promotion with rank, the deprivation of which has, we were informed at the International Congress, acted as a barrier against securing a sufficiency of the highest type of patriotic nurse for the Service.

Elppointments.

MATRON.

Fowey Cottage Hospital, Cornwall.—Miss Jessie Crocker has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the South Devon Hospital, Plymouth, and served on the private nursing staff. She has held the posts of Staff Nurse and Acting Sister at Cossham Memorial Hospital, Kingswood, Bristol, and has gained experience in hospital house-keeping as pupil and Acting Housekeeping Sister at the South Devon Hospital.

South Wimbledon, Morton, and District Hospital.—Miss R. des Forges has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Seamen's Hospital, Greenwich, and The Hospital for Women, Soho Square, London. She has been Ward Sister at the General Hospital, Ramsgate; Night Sister, Ward Sister, and Deputy Matron at the District Hospital, Grimsby; Sister of Wards and Outpatients, and Deputy-Matron at St. Mark's Hospital, London; and has also gained practical experience of hospital housekeeping.

St. Nicholas Home for Crippled Children.—Miss Amy Cheston has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Victoria Hospital for Sick Children, London, and has since been Night Sister, and Theatre Sister at the Jenny Lind Innimary, Norwich, and Sister and Night Superintendent at the Birmingham and Midland Free Hospital for Sick Children.

NURSE MATRON.

Whitby Cottage Hospital —Miss Helen Brotherton has been appointed Nurse Matron. She was trained at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan, and has since been a member of the Sunderland Nursing Institution.

SISTER.

Victoria Hospital, Accrington.—Miss Martha Moore has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Warrington Infirmary. She has been Staff Nurse at the Jessop Hospital, Sheffield; Staff Nurse at the District Hospital, Pontypool; and Charge Nurse at Warrington Infirmary. Miss Moore has also had experience of private nursing.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

The under-mentioned Staff Nurses resign their appointments:—Dated September 4th, 1909: Miss Katherine A. Broade and Miss Ida M. L. du Sautoy.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

Transfers and Appointments.—Miss Janet Blacklock, to Harpurhey Home, Manchester, as Superintendent, from Barrow; Miss Sarah E. Morris, to Cumberland C. N. Association, as Assistant County Superintendent and School Nurse, from Carlisle; Miss Dorothy Godden, to Brighton, as Senior Nurse; Miss Gertrude Sears, to Mortlake, from Brighton; Miss Florence M. Huelin, to Newark (St. Leonard's Hospital); Miss Gwendoline Chatfield, to Winsham; Miss Kate Hunt, to Kilgerran; Miss Sarah Owen-Jones, to Swansea; Miss Ernestine Eardley, to Laleston.

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