

to the Alexandra Hosp., Cosham; Miss N. Parke, Miss F. N. Roberts, to Military Hosp., Curragh; Miss S. B. Lanyon, to Royal Infirmary, Dublin. Staff Nurses: Miss M. Willes, to Troopship *Plassy*, for duty; Miss A. M. Phillips, to Malta; to Military Hosp., Shorncliffe; Miss J. Findlater, to Royal Victoria Hosp., Netley.

Arrivals.—Miss G. M. Payne, R.R.C., Matron, from Egypt; Miss A. M. MacCormac, Sister, and Miss M. E. Wilkin, Sister, from Malta.

Appointments confirmed.—Miss C. E. Alldridge, Miss E. B. Black, Miss M. Black, Miss K. C. P. H. Brewer, Miss M. O. Greenaway, Miss A. L. Plimsal, Miss O. F. Stinton, and Miss M. E. Stewart.

PRESENTATIONS.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent by the nursing staff in the Reception Room of the Sunderland General Infirmary, on Saturday, October 9th. The gathering was unique in two ways—first, the Managing Sister was the guest of the Nursing Staff, second, the nurses had planned this gathering to give them an opportunity of expressing their love and esteem for their Matron, and to give her a very hearty “send-off” on her long journey to India, where she intends to spend a well-earned holiday of six months.

As a lasting token of appreciation, and bearing in mind the long journey both by sea and land, which Sister Mary is about to undertake, a very dainty luncheon basket, fully fitted up for two, was presented to her by Charge-Nurse Carter, who, on behalf of the Nursing Staff, asked her to accept it with their love, and the hope that she would find it of great use during this present holiday, and during her annual holidays for many years to come.

Sister Mary, in thanking the nurses for their gift, said they had quite taken her by surprise in turning the tables on her, as it had been her intention to invite them to tea, and expressed her faith in their love and loyalty to her, assuring them that she was not accepting this six months' rest from the Board of Management, because she was anxious to be relieved of her onerous duties, but only because she felt that after working steadily for 36 years as Managing Sister of the Infirmary such a lengthened holiday would enable her to carry on the work with renewed vigour.

She hoped to keep in touch with the nurses while away, and trusted she would have many letters from them, and looking forward to her return in April, was sure that they would be able to have a very enjoyable “Indian” tea-party together.

Tea was then served.

On Friday evening Nurse Watson, Ceres, N.B., was presented by the people of Craigrothie and district with a handsome marble timepiece and ornament as a token of their respect and esteem, and in appreciation of her services as District Nurse during the past five years. The presentation took place at a social meeting held in the Craigrothie Public Hall.

Nursing Echoes.



We have devoted a large amount of space in this issue to the publication of the paper by the Hon. Albinia Brodrick, on “Morality in Relation to Health,” read at the recent International Congress of Nurses, as we consider it of the utmost importance. We hope it will be really studied. Next week we hope to publish Miss L. L. Dock's paper on “The Need of Education in Matters of Social Morality.”

The opportunity of seeing those whom one knows and respects for their work for the profession at large, in their own special corner of the world, is always a happiness, and lately it was the good fortune of the writer to spend a few days with Miss Mollett, at the Royal South Hants Hospital, Southampton. Miss Mollett, as one of our most public-spirited Matrons, brilliant writers, and pertinent speakers, is well known to many; Miss Mollett as an administrator, ruling a hospital, in close touch with doctors, sisters, and nurses, and discussing the weight of joints of beef and mutton with the cook was a new revelation; yet her versatile talents and wide nursing experience enable her to discharge the multifarious duties which devolve upon a country Matron with ease and facility. One evidence of her wise and kindly rule is that the majority of the competent domestic staff seem to have held their respective posts for years, and the visitor is struck by the good manners which are characteristic of every worker in the hospital down to the smiling hall boy, who greets one with quite a warmth of welcome, and conveys the impression that for the moment one's welfare is his special concern.

In the busy and cheerful wards the doctrine on which Miss Mollett insisted at the recent International Congress of Nurses, that the foundation of all good nursing is to make the patient comfortable, is evidently put into practice, and the same principle is certainly applied to the nurses, for they have a home of which any nursing staff might be proud, and which, having been repainted and coloured this year, is just now as spick and span as can be with white paint, and rooms either a soft blue or pale yellow in colour, and bath-rooms with a grand supply of hot and cold water.

For herself, Miss Mollett needs but little. A

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