

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

The under-mentioned ladies to be Staff Nurses (provisionally): Miss Jessie Findlater, Miss Gladys Frances Vazeitte Temperley, Miss E. J. French, and Miss M. S. Mason.

The under-mentioned Staff Nurses are confirmed in their appointments, their periods of provisional service having expired:—Miss A. H. Edden, Miss A. L. Evans.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

Transfers and Appointments.—Miss Eleanor Jones, appointed Superintendent, North Wales Association, from Colwyn Bay; Miss Jessie Burgess (Bury), appointed Superintendent; Miss Jean Marchbank, to Alcester; Miss Annie Dashwood, to St. Ives; Miss Elizabeth McClymont, to Batley; Miss Annie Browne, to Hull; Miss Jessie Kennett, to Crowborough; Miss Emily Tubbs, to Hartfield.

EXAMINATIONS AND PRIZES.

At the monthly meeting of the Board of Managers, held recently at the Jessop Hospital, Sheffield, the prizes awarded at the nurses' examination were distributed by the Chairman (Mr. C. D. Pettinger) to the following winners:—First, Nurse Annie Young; second, Nurse Dorothy Brook Grayson; third, Nurse Ada E. Strother. Certificates were also given for gynaecological nursing, for three years' training to Nurse Harriett Tagg and Nurse Sarah Harrison, and for two years' training to Nurse Maggie Lloyd.

RESIGNATION.

Miss Withers, the Matron of the Ellen Badger Cottage Hospital, Shipston-on-Stour, who has resigned this position on account of her approaching marriage, has been presented by the Trustees and Committee with a framed address, and a case of silver cruets in recognition of her good work while Matron. In making the presentation, the Chairman, Mr. F. C. Hancock, bore high testimony to her ability, which was endorsed by Dr. Stein, and the secretary, Mr. A. T. Simpson.

THE PASSING BELL.

We greatly regret to announce the death at Nice of Miss Kate Amelia Mundy, a Bristol nurse, who for five years was on the private nursing staff of the Royal Infirmary in that city, and at the time of her death was temporarily working at the Victoria Memorial Hospital, Nice. She was knocked down by a motor car in front of the Victoria Memorial Hospital, and killed on the spot, death being due to a fractured spine, skull, and other injuries. The driver of the motor car, who, it is stated, had been warned a few minutes previously by a gendarme that he was driving at excessive speed, was arrested.

A memorial service was held on Monday morning at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol and was attended by the President, Sir George White, who represented both institutions, Lady White, and the Matron and members of the nursing staff, and other officials of the hospital, as well as by near relatives of the deceased nurse.

Nursing Echoes.



The work of the school nurses working under the London County Council has increased so much during the past year that it is probable before long a considerable addition to the staff will have to be made. The need for the attendance of a nurse during the medical inspection of the school doctor is now fully realised, and this

will open up a wide field of usefulness for nurses.

The axiom that "Prevention is better than cure" is now being given due prominence, and this, it is hoped, will have great results.

We are glad to learn that the system of breaking the consecutive three years' training of probationers at the London Hospital, after a two years' service, is gradually being recognised as unfair, and that an increasing number of probationers are now given the three years' training and service in the wards consecutively, and only the fourth year's service on the private nursing staff is being exacted from them. After a full, free, and comprehensive training in an up-to-date hospital, no nurse can justifiably complain at being required to do private nursing for her fourth year, and thus in some measure help to pay for her professional education. But a system which deprives her of adequate experience, and places her at a disadvantage when applying for professional promotion, for the commercial advantage of a charitable institution is thoroughly unsound. On two occasions lately in interviewing London Hospital nurses, we found, upon enquiry, that of gynaecology they were densely ignorant. One had spent ten days during her two years' training in the gynaecological ward, and the other three weeks on night duty.

This opens up a rather important question in the training of nurses. Even in the largest hospitals one ward, often containing but 25 beds, devoted to the treatment of the special diseases of women, is very insufficient as training ground for the large number of probationers passing through a general hospital. Why are not the Women's Hospitals more closely associated with General Hospitals? Surely some mutually advantageous system could be evolved between the managers of both classes of hospital whereby the splendid special work done in the Women's Hospitals could be made available for teaching nurses in general

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