

to close their doors, or, perhaps, open them to the police. There was immediate need for dealing with this matter. The amount of blackmail carried on in bogus nursing homes and massage establishments led to a terrible degradation of nursing in the public mind.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, in seconding the resolution, said the exploitation of nursing homes had been an abominable scandal for years past, which of late years had increased in virulence and impertinence, and could only be stamped out by registration and inspection. Many conscientious women were conducting nursing homes in a most admirable manner. These homes were a blessing and convenience to the public, who should help to keep up a high standard.

Trained nurses were a body of honourable and hard-working women who loved their work. They were very useful to the community, and the public owed them some reparation for its long neglect of their interests.

The resolution was carried unanimously, and after a hearty vote of thanks to Lady Helen Munro Ferguson, for her kindness in presiding, the members adjourned to 2, Portland Place, on the kind invitation of Mrs. Walter Spencer, who most hospitably invited the whole meeting to tea, an invitation which was greatly appreciated.

The Scottish Matrons Association

The quarterly meeting of the Scottish Matrons' Association was held on Saturday, May 28th, in the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh. Miss Gill, Hon. President, presided. Twenty-two members were present. Many letters of apology for absence were received.

The following resolution was put from the chair and passed:—

"That we, the members of the Scottish Matrons' Association, beg to record our sympathy with Queen Alexandra in the grievous bereavement which has befallen her, and our deep sense of the loss sustained by all who work in hospitals and kindred institutions, together with the whole nation, in the death of his Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII., who ever granted his special sympathy to the sick and suffering."

The resolution was embodied in a letter of condolence to Queen Alexandra, and forwarded through the Secretary for Scotland.

Miss Gill stated that a laurel wreath had been sent to London for the King's funeral in the name of the Association.

Nine new members were elected.

Discussion followed on various subjects. It was suggested that, at next meeting, a paper be read by a member.

On the conclusion of the meeting, the President entertained the members to tea in her rooms. This was much appreciated. A very pleasant hour was spent, making and renewing acquaintance with distant members.

Appointments.

MATRONS.

Retford Hospital and Dispensary, Notts.—Miss Lillie Gee has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the City of London Infirmary, where she held the position of Staff Nurse for a year. She has also been Night Sister at the General Infirmary, Oldham, Sister of the Male Wards and Theatre at the General Infirmary, Wrexham; Surgical Sister of Male and Children's Wards (with Ophthalmic Division), at the Bury General Infirmary (Lancs); and of Home Sister, Theatre Sister, and Assistant Matron at the same hospital. She has also been Matron at Ebbw Vale Accident Hospital, Monmouthshire.

Lowestoft and District Maternity Association.—Miss Ethel Dixon has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and has held the positions of Queen's Nurse at Darlington, Superintendent of the District Nursing Home, Swansea, and Inspector of Midwives under the Hampshire County Council.

Leasowe Castle Convalescent Home for Railwaymen.—Miss E. Salsbury has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the North-Eastern Hospital, London, and has held the positions of Sister at the Southwark Infirmary, East Dulwich; Sister and Night Sister at the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury; and Assistant Matron at the Seaside Convalescent Home, Seaford, Sussex.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Stirling District Asylum, Larbert, N.B.—Miss M. Jones has been appointed an Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Mary's (Islington) Infirmary, and has held the positions of Staff Nurse at the National Hospital; Sister at the General Hospital, Wolverhampton; Sister at the County Hospital, Durham; and Sister at the District Asylum, Melrose.

SISTERS.

The Blackburn and East Lancashire Infirmary, Blackburn.—Miss Tessie McGuffoy has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, where she has been Sister-in-Charge of the operating theatre. She has also had experience of private nursing.

The Infirmary, Tiverton.—Miss Mabel Hartley has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Halifax, and has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Hospital for Women, Soho Square, W.C. She has also had experience of private nursing.

SISTER-HOUSEKEEPER.

Royal Infirmary, Bradford.—Miss Edith Crichton has been appointed Sister-Housekeeper. She was trained at the County Hospital, Lincoln, where she held the position of Sister. She has also been Night Sister at the Queen's Hospital, London, and temporary Home Sister and Assistant Matron also.

SCHOOL NURSES.

Education Committee, Notts County Council.—The following ladies have been appointed School Nurses under the Notts County Council:—

Miss B. Watkins, who has held the position of School Nurse and Health Visitor at Huddersfield.
Miss Collier, who has been District Nurse at

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