bers of flies, and some of the houses were infested with them.

The examinations proved that there could be little doubt that the fly reared in a manure heap had its alimentary canal well stocked with whatever organisms the manure might contain, these organisms probably continued to multiply during the adult life of the fly, and got deposited wherever it chanced to alight. Dr. Clements expressed the view that this fact alone should suffice to cause the fly to be regarded with suspicion, even if his legs were not so admirably constructed for picking up and carrying whatever material his unsavoury habits induced him to rest upon. During the period of fly prevalence some attempts were made to kill the flies in houses where they were Sprays of various kinds the greatest nuisance. were used, and formalin, both in the form of vapour and spray, was tried. The vapour did not kill the flies, and the spray was so unpleasant and irritating to the person using it that it had to be given up. A spray of izal proved to be more successful; it did not immediately kill the flies, but when sprayed over them they became stupefied and fell to the ground, where they could be swept or gathered up with a cloth and thrown into the fire. By the use of izal spray all the flies in several houses were killed.

Dr. Clements warned his hearers that although this spraying cleared the house of flies for the time being, the great aim must be to exclude flies altogether. Such a consummation is devoutly to be desired, but meanwhile most people will be glad to know of an effective palliative measure.

## Presentations.

### TO MISS WREFORD.

On Friday last, at a meeting of the Committee of the Leeds Hospital for Women and Children, Mr. Henry Barran, Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, Lady Visitors, and one or two friends, presented the retiring Matron (Miss Wreford) with a purse containing a cheque as a mark of appreciation of her long and useful services.

Miss Wreford, who holds the certificate of the Bristol Royal Infirmary, worked for some years in connection with the Leeds District Nurses' Home, and in 1893 she was appointed Sister at the Hospital, shortly afterwards accepting the offer of the post as Matron.

## TO MISS L. FOX.

Miss L. Fox, for many years the Sister of the Duchess Ward for children at the Hull Royal Infirmary, has been appointed matron of the Hilo Hospital, Hawaii Islands, West Indies. A handsome presentation has been made by the Medical and Nursing Staffs to her. Miss Fox, who was highly respected by all in the Institution, and much beloved by her little patients, leaves her home (Barnsley) on September 24th to take up her duties in the West Indies, with the heartiest good wishes of a large circle of friends.

# Appointments.

#### MATRON.

Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, N.B.—Miss Jessie Campbell has been appointed Matron to succeed Miss M. M. Macfarlane. She was trained at the Victoria Infirmary, where she has held the position of Assistant Matron, and she has also been Matron of the Convalescent Home, Largs. We congratulate Miss Campbell upon the honour of being selected to superintend her training school, and the nursing staff upon the recognition of their work by the governing body of the hospital.

St. Pancras Infirmary, Highgate, N. —Miss F. S. Spittle has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, E., and has been Home Sister and Assistant Matron at St. Pancras Infirmary. Her selection is a gratifying recognition of her work by the Board of Guardians.

cottage Hospital, Bingley.—Miss J. Robertson has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Bethnal Green Infirmary, N.E., where she worked as Staff Nurse, Sister, and Superintendent Nurse. Miss Robertson has also held the positions of Assistant Matron at the Keighley and Bingley Joint Hospital, and Sister-in-Charge of the Keighley and Bingley Joint Hospital Sanatorium.

Abertysswg Workhouse Hospital.—Miss M. J. Thomas has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Cardiff Infirmary, and has been Staff Nurse, and Sister in the same institution.

Children's Shelter, Edinburgh.—Miss Anna Sinclair has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and the Brighton Hospital for Women, and has since had the following extensive experience:—Assistant Matron Queen Victoria Hospital for Seamen, Las Palmas, Sister in the Deaconess Hospital, Edinburgh, Sister-in-Charge of a Surgical Home, Glasgow, and Alexandra Nurse at Fort George, and she has also done district and private nursing. Miss Sinclair is a certified midwife.

Hammersmith Receiving Home for Children.—Miss Eva M. Mustoe has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Marylebone Infirmary, and has since been Sister at Croydon Infirmary, Superintendent Nurse at Holborn Schools Infirmary, Mitcham, and Charge Nurse at Shirley Schools, near Croydon.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

St. Panoras Infirmary, N.—Miss Janet Thorpe has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, and has been Home Sister at St. Panoras Infirmary.

Bath Royal United Hospital.—Miss Alice Marshall, of the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, has been appointed Assistant Matron.

### NIGHT SISTER.

General Hospital, Chelmstord.—Miss Florence M. Finley has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Royal Portsmouth Hospital, and has been Staff Nurse at the Cancer Hospital, Fulham Road, London, where she has gained experience as holiday Sister and Home Sister.

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