

SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

West Ham Workhouse.—Miss E. A. Gilbert has been appointed Superintendent Nurse. She was trained at the Holborn Infirmary, Highgate, London, N., and has been Staff Nurse at the County Hospital, Newport, Mon.; Ward Sister at the North Evington Infirmary, Leicester; Superintendent Nurse at the Wallingford Infirmary, Berks; Night Superintendent at the Bagthorpe Infirmary, Nottingham. She has also done private nursing and is a certified midwife.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Appointments.—The following ladies have received appointments as Staff Nurse:—Miss E. M. Whittall and Miss M. M. Roberts.

Transfers to Stations Abroad.—**Matrons:** Miss J. Hoadley, R.R.C., to Malta; Miss E. A. Cox, to South Africa.

Promotions.—The undermentioned Sisters to be Matrons:—Miss M. Mark and Miss I. G. Willetts. The undermentioned Staff Nurses to be Sisters: Miss M. Davis and Miss E. K. Kaberry.

WEDDING BELLS.

Miss Pate, Lady Superintendent of the Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, has resigned the position on account of her approaching marriage.

PRESENTATION.

Miss Clarkson, who for over fourteen years has been on the staff of the Nursing Association in connection with the Lees Nurses' Home, Union Street West, Oldham, has been presented with a substantial cheque in recognition of her valuable services during that period.

The presentation was made by the Mayor, Mrs. Councillor Lees, who spoke highly of Miss Clarkson's work, and said that in her new post as Nurse at the Scattered Homes, under the Oldham Board of Guardians, she would have a very important position, for she would have 30 motherless children under her care.

Dr. Godson spoke of the medical appreciation of Miss Clarkson's services, and said that 30 medical practitioners in the town had subscribed to the gift. Miss Clarkson expressed her sincere thanks to the donors.

MEMORIALS OF MISS DUFF.

The present and former nurses of the Dundee Royal Infirmary have subscribed a sum of £60 for the purpose of providing a memorial to the late Matron, Miss Duff, and permission had been given to place a stained-glass window in the Dalgleish Nurses' Home.

A separate fund, amounting to £158, has also been raised to commemorate the memory of Miss Duff by a few friends who were closely associated with her work in the Infirmary. A small part of this sum will be spent in providing a tablet bearing a suitable inscription to be placed in one of the corridors of the Infirmary, and the balance will be invested, and the interest therefrom devoted to the purchase of prizes to be awarded annually to the nurses in their first and second year's training. The Directors have expressed approval of these arrangements.

Nursing Echoes.



Once more the great festival of Christmas has come and gone, and as year succeeds year those who have give more and more bounteously to those who have not. Never have those twin spirits of compassion and generosity held higher revels. The hospital wards were like fairyland, bowers of flowers and twinkling lights, and from off the lovely, glistening Christmas trees such toys and sweets for the children, such charming gifts for the "grown-ups"!

"Christmas fever" one Matron called it, who, laden with gifts, was evidently suffering acutely from the benevolent impulse to give—give—give! As in the hospitals so throughout the land—kindness and goodwill made a bright and happy world. And yet the terrible calamities in mine and train, by which so many awful deaths have left broken so many hearts, cast a gloom over the whole country. How fleeting is joy!

It will come as a surprise to many Guy's nurses that, as a result of the use of armorial bearings on their certificates, the authorities of the hospital have been fined, at the instance of the local taxation branch of the London County Council, at the Tower Bridge Police Court. Mr. Watson explained that armorial bearings were granted to the hospital in 1725, within a year of its foundation, more especially for the purpose of being engraved on the tomb of their founder, Thomas Guy. The arms were displayed outside the hospital and printed on the nurses' certificates to show they had graduated from a first-class hospital. He claimed that the exemption to any person who "by right of office shall wear or use the arms of any corporation" applied to the Governors. The Magistrate decided in the negative, but said that as the custom had been going on for so long a nominal fine would meet the case, and imposed one of 10s., with 2s. costs.

Upon the application of the Matron, the Managers of the Poplar and Stepney Sick Asylum have agreed to appoint five more Probationers owing to the heavy work in the wards, and the overwork at present when the nurses are off duty or sick. It is to be hoped that the Local Government Board will sanc-

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