

"When the screen is adjusted by his assistants to suit the operator, it is thrown back over the anaesthetist's head, completely screening her from the operating field, the cotton part coming between her and the field. The gauze gives sufficient air, and is kept in the required position by securing it to the anaesthetist's gown with haemostats.

"In Dr. Crile's clinic we use nitrous oxide and oxygen almost exclusively. It is impossible, of course, to sterilise the apparatus, and we have, therefore, found this screen most valuable, as it does not slip out of position. We have also used it with ether anaesthesia, and think it makes the problem of keeping away from the field much more simple and comfortable for the anaesthetist."

Appointments.

MATRONS.

Chelsea Hospital for Women, Fulham Road, S.W.—Miss M. S. Riddell has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C., and is at present Assistant Matron at University College Hospital.

National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart.—Miss Adelaide C. Maxwell Moffat has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital, Plymouth, and has held the positions of Home Sister and Night Sister at the Alexandra Hospital for Hip Disease, Queen Square, Bloomsbury, Home Sister at the Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester, and Theatre Sister at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital, Plymouth.

Cottage Hospital, Moreton-in-the-Marsh.—Miss May Forrest King has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, and has held the position of Sister at Monsall Hospital, Manchester, Senior Sister and Acting Matron, General Hospital, Rotherham, and Matron of the Ebbw Vale General Hospital. She has also had experience of private nursing.

Victoria Cottage Hospital, Woking.—Miss B. M. Stevens has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Wolverhampton and Staffordshire General Hospital, and has held the position of Theatre Sister at the Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, Sister of Surgical Wards at the Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle, Night Sister at the Beckett Hospital, Barnsley, Home and Theatre Sister and Deputy Matron at the District Hospital, West Bromwich.

ASSISTANT MATRONS.

Monyhull Colony for Epileptics and Feeble-minded.—Miss Mesta Maude Hawkes has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Southwark Infirmary, and has held the position of Assistant Matron at the Rodgett Infirmary, Royal Albert Institution, Night Superintendent at Southwark Infirmary, and Ward Sister at the Beckett Hospital, Barnsley.

Belvidere Hospital, Glasgow.—Miss G. Fairley, Home Sister at Belvidere Hospital, Glasgow, has been appointed Senior Assistant Matron.

MESSAGE SISTER.

The Children's Infirmary, Carshalton.—Miss Monica Brace-Hall has been appointed Massage Sister.

She was trained for two years at the Swedish Institute, Cromwell Road, South Kensington, S.W.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Miss Mary Ellen Davis to be Staff Nurse (provisionally). Dated December 28th, 1910.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE

Transfers and Appointments.—Mrs. Ada Barrow and Miss Gertrude Hardy as County Superintendent and Assistant County Superintendent to Staffs County Nursing Association; Miss Lilian Ewens, to Kingston, as Senior Nurse; Miss Isabella Nicoll, to Hammersmith; Miss Louie Taylor, to Stockport; Miss Eunice Hitch, to Weston-under-Penyard; Miss Nellie Jones, to Darwen; Miss Amy Wrightson, to Hastings; Miss Deborah Bourne, to Hull; Miss Effie Barr-Hamilton, to Barry; Miss Bella Mackintosh, to Haverfordwest.

CHANGES AT ST. JOHN'S HOUSE.

The impending changes have now taken place at St. John's House, Queen Square, Bloomsbury, the charge of which has passed from the St. Peter's Community, Kilburn, to that of East Grinstead. Before leaving, Sister Charlotte was presented by the nursing staff with a sum of money to be applied to whatever purpose she desired to devote it, with an illuminated address, as a token of their affection and gratitude for much kindness during eighteen years.

PRESENTATIONS.

Miss A. E. Giddings—who for twenty-three years has been Matron of the Children's Convalescent Home, West Kirby, during which time the number of beds has been increased from 6 to 150, and over 20,000 children have passed through the Home—recently resigned the position, we regret to say, for reasons of health. The Committee appointed a Sub-Committee to arrange the best method of expressing to the retiring Matron their appreciation of her great services to the institution, and though no public appeal was made, Sir Thomas Royden, the Chairman, recently intimated to her the pleasant news that a Trust Fund had been created which would bring her in the sum of £46 a year.

Although the faithful service of nearly a quarter of a century cannot be recompensed in money, the appreciation of her work, shown by this generous gift, must be a great pleasure to Miss Giddings.

Miss Newman, who is resigning the position of Matron of the Boston Hospital, was last week presented by the Chairman, Councillor W. Porter, J.P., on behalf of subscribers and friends to the hospital, with a purse of gold, and an illuminated album, as a recognition of her work during the ten and a half years she has held the position of Matron.

An interesting ceremony took place last week in the dining hall of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, when Lord Northbourne, acting for the President, the Bishop of Dover, presented four nurses, who have been on the staff of the Canterbury and District Nurses' Institute for four years, with a cheque for £10 and a framed certificate. The recipients were Miss E. Clarke, Miss M. Mansfield, Miss E. J. Emby, and Miss J. Spurl.

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