

## THE ARMY AND NAVY MALE NURSES' CO-OPERATION.

This Co-operation has issued a very tasteful and satisfactory Report for 1910-11. The Executive Committee state that improvement has taken place not only in the increased number of cases nursed, but even more particularly in the receipts for the services of the nurses, these having amounted to over £3,350, showing an increase of £600. There are now 42 Nurses kept in almost constant employment, and 350 cases have been attended during the year.

For some time past it has been apparent to the Executive Committee that the separation of the Offices of the Co-operation from the Nurses' Residential Home was unduly costly, and increased the work of the officers. After full consideration the Committee have taken steps to bring both under the same roof, and negotiations are already well advanced to this end. It is contemplated to take the lease of a small house, No. 11A, Welbeck Street, and tenders have been obtained for carrying out the necessary alterations.

Donations and subscriptions have been received to the amount of £104 7s. 6d., the War Office and City Companies being amongst the financial supporters, but, as there is a balance of £54 1s. 2d., we hope soon to see this useful professional Co-operation entirely self-supporting, as the well-managed women nurses' Co-operations are.

We are pleased to see that Miss Becher, R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief Q.A.I.M.N.S., has been co-opted on to the Executive Committee, and that the Countess Roberts, Miss E. Harte, R.R.C., Head Sister, Royal Naval Hospital, Haslar, and Miss Ethel McCaul, R.R.C., the founder of the Male Nurses' Co-operation, also have seats upon it.

It is claimed that the Navy and Army are the only general training schools which certify fully trained male nurses and as the public are ever in need of their skilled services, the Co-operation acts as a most useful medium in providing highly efficient and well-disciplined workers. We shall hope soon to see the nurses themselves represented on the governing body of their own Society. It is also claimed that as Reservists, who may be called upon to serve their country again, the members of the Army and Navy Male Nurses' Co-operation are rendered even more efficient by varied experience gained in civil nursing. The address of the offices is 11A, Welbeck Street, Cavendish Square, London, W.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRONS.

**Mercer's Hospital, Dublin.**—Miss R. Burkitt has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Dublin, and has held the positions in that hospital of Sister of Surgical Gynaecological Wards, and of the Operating Theatre. At the Adelaide Hospital, Miss Burkitt has been successively Night Superintendent, Sister-in-charge of women's wards, and Assistant Matron. We congratulate the committee in selecting an Irish-trained lady to fill the responsible and important position of Matron to Mercer's Hospital.

**Cottage Home for Incurables, Greenock Medical Aid Society.**—Miss Jane B. Brown has been appointed Matron. Miss Brown has lately been Matron of the Derbyshire Convalescent Home for Incurables, Matlock.

### NURSE MATRON.

**Children's Convalescent Home, Cappagh, Fingles, Dublin.**—Miss Margaret Davitt has been appointed Nurse Matron. She was trained at the Royal Hospital, Sheffield, where she did Sister's duties in the wards and theatre. Miss Davitt has also had a year's training in the Co. Clare Infirmary and two years' training at the City Fever Hospital, Fazakerley, Liverpool; and has held the positions of Sister-in-charge at the Bristol Road Nursing Home, Sheffield, and Sister at the North-Eastern Hospital, Tottenham. It will be seen that Miss Davitt has had exceptional experience in various branches of nursing.

### SUPERINTENDENT.

**Wakefield Union Infirmary.**—Miss F. L. Cross has been appointed Superintendent (female). She was trained at Shoreditch Infirmary, London, and has held the position of Maternity and Theatre Sister at Edmonton Infirmary; and that of Assistant Matron at the Shirley Infirmary, Southampton.

### NURSE.

**Tuberculosis Dispensary, Woolwich.**—Miss Longstaff has been appointed Nurse. She was trained at the London Temperance Hospital; has been Sister at the National Hospital, London; Sister and Matron at Mount Vernon Consumption Hospital, London; and Lecturer on Home Nursing and Infant Care at L.C.C. evening schools.

### CHARGE NURSES.

**East Bolden Infectious Diseases Hospital.**—Miss Annie Sutherland and Miss R. B. Fairley have been appointed Charge Nurses. The former was trained at the City Hospital, Newcastle, and has been Nurse at the Sanitary Hospital, Bournemouth; the latter was trained at the Malvern Hospital, and has been Nurse at the Clayton Hospital, Wakefield.

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