"At the present moment, so far as I know, there are at work under Dutch societies eight doctors and thirteen nurses. I estimate that in the next two or three years there will be need for at least six more nurses.

"The nurses generally go out for five or seven years. After that time they have a furlough of eight months or a year. On going out they have their outfit paid for them, or money to buy it (£40). The salary usually is £100 to £110 a year—they have to pay for their board or do their own housekeeping, but have apartments furnished free either in or near the hospital. They have to insure themselves for old-age pension. The salary is just sufficient—no luxury, but also no want.

"Although at present there is no organisation like the N.M.L. in Holland, the societies have had no very great difficulty in getting the nurses they needed; and as to the Nurses who will be wanted in the next few years; two are already in training, and I think there will be no difficulty in finding the others. Still we have not yet reached the ideal; a great number of nurses offering for each post, so that only the very best may be chosen."

THE DIPLOMA OF THE ROYAL BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

On Friday her Royal Highness Princess Christian was presented with the Honorary Diploma of the Royal British Nurses' Association, of which she is President. The ceremony took place at the rooms of the Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, W. Her Royal Highness said she was deeply sensible of the honour conferred upon her, and subsequently handed the diploma of the Association to the following nurses:—

Honorary Diplomates:—Mrs. Coster, Middlesex Hospital; Miss Lloyd Still, Matron of the Middlesex Hospital; Mrs. Latter, St. Bartholomew's Hosnital

Diplomas by examination:—Miss Banks, Seamen's Hospital; Miss Chawner, St. Thomas's Hospital; Miss Duncan, Dunfermline; Miss Fowler, East London; Miss Holborow, General Hospital, Bristol; Sister Mary of Victoria, French Hospital; Miss Moffatt, Dunfermline; Miss Waller, Mildmay Mission; Miss Venables, Mildmay Mission; Miss Isabel Macdonald, secretary of the Royal British Nurses' Association; Miss Adams, General Hospital, Birmingham; Miss Bickerton, Prince of Wales Hospital; Miss Clarke; Miss Clayton, London Temperance Hospital; Miss Habgood, Middlesex Hospital; Miss Mackenzie Brown, Smithston Infirmary; Miss Ramsey; and Miss Treble, Prince of Wales Hospital.

PRESENTATION

In connection with the District Nurse Fund, the Committee and patients have presented Miss Hilton, who is leaving Lynton, with a handsome silver teapot, bearing the inscription: "Presented to Nurse H. Hilton by the patients and Committee, Lynton, 1911, on the occasion of her leaving the neighbourhood."

Appointments.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Nurses' Co-operation, 8, New Cavendish Street, London.—Miss Clara Hoadley has been appointed Lady Superintendent. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, and has held the positions of Matron at the Goole Cottage Hospital; Assistant Matron at the Preston Royal Infirmary; Lady Superintendent, Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ireland; Matron at the Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital; and is at present Matron of the London Homeopathic Hospital, W.C.

SUPERINTENDENT.

Maternity Department of Queen's Nurses and School of Midwifery, Cardiff. —Miss Rose F. Grylls has been appointed Superintendent. She was trained at the Great Northern Central Hospital, Holloway, the Clapham School of Midwifery, and the Gloucester Branch of the Queen's Nurses' Institute. She has also worked at the Cornelia Hospital, Poole; has been Matron of the Battersea Branch of the Clapham Maternity Hospital; Queen's Nurse at Wetherley, Yorkshire; Matron at the Nightingale Nursing Home, Derby; and is at present temporarily working as Teaching Midwife at the Victoria Home, Cheltenham.

MATRON.

Lady Eden Hospital, Bishop Auckland.—Miss Cecilia E Lister has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Leeds, where she has held the position of Sister.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Nottingham General Hospital.—Miss Ada White has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, where she has held the position of temporary Sister. She has also had experience of private nursing on the private staff of the same hospital, and is at present Assistant Matron at the Reigate and Redhill Hospital.

HOME SISTER.

Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool.—Miss A. E. Farrar has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, and afterwards worked on the private nursing staff of that institution. She has also been Holiday Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, as well as Night Sister, and Sister-in-Charge of the Electrical and Massage Department in the same hospital. She holds the certificate of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses, and is a certified midwife.

Gentral London Siok Asylum, Hendon.—Miss Kathleen Bellamy has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Lambeth Infirmary, and has worked as Charge Nurse at the Townleys Hospitals.

Miss E. Heath has also been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Central London Sick Asylum, and has worked as Staff Nurse at Bolingbroke Hospital, Wandsworth Common, S.W.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

The Infirmary, Leicester.—Miss Elizabeth Marriott has been appointed Night Superintendent. Miss Marriott holds the certificate of the General Infirmary, Macclesfield, and was a Ward Sister there for 18 months. She was then appointed Assistant

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