

Mrs. Gummidge, Peggotty, Mary Weller, Miss Jemima Evans, Mrs. Bardell, Mrs. Cratchett, and many others combined to make the Nurses' celebration of the Dickens Centenary a very memorable and refreshing occasion.

Only one thing would have added to the charm of the evening. Glad as we were to see so many young men in evening dress, we should have preferred them in character.

The ballot for Prizes resulted in the Florence Dombey of Miss Paterson being acclaimed the most perfect, and she was presented by Sairey with a silver-mounted bottle of scent. To Mr. Lukis as the Artful Dodger was given a silver match-box, and a consolation prize was to be awarded to the "Kenwigses" for fear the dear young things might be disappointed.

A Palmist, Miss Nora Snowball, hidden away in a place of mystery, was kept busy informing us of our wonderfully charming personalities and noble characteristics.

The entrancing orchestra of Mr. Frank Ivimey enlivened the evening with delightful music. He played a waltz—it was fatal. Who could resist it? Certainly not the gay company present. In half a minute many apparently incongruous couples had joined the whirling throng, after which dancing became general. This most amusing evening ended up with Sir Roger de Coverley, most of the company dancing until they were out of breath. Then "God Save the King" gave the signal for good night.

The Central News, 5, New Bridge Street, E.C., took a series of excellent photographs during the evening, from which our illustrations are reproduced. We only regret that for lack of space we are unable to present the whole series.

MATRONA.

### THE RESIGNATION OF TERRITORIAL NURSES.

Nurses are not a very business-like class, but courtesy demands certain duties from them. For instance, resignations of office or service should always be written, and this even should the service be voluntary. Thus, when a volunteer matron, sister, or nurse finds it necessary to resign from the Territorial Force Nursing Service she should write to her Principal Matron and inform her so, in a business-like manner. Principal Matrons are all very busy women, and in their relations to their staff everything should be done by the latter to save friction and trouble.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRON.

**Royal Albert Hospital, Devonport.**—Miss M. Gilkes-Robinson has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Brentford Infirmary, and has been attached as Private Nurse to the Swansea Hospital; Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Gloucester; Sister and Assistant Matron, with charge of electrical and massage department, at the Devonshire Hospital, Buxton.

**Pufney Hospital (Chester Bequest).**—Miss Lucy F. Cripps has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, where she has taken the duties of Night Superintendent, Sister, Housekeeping Sister, and Assistant Matron. She has also done Matron's duties at Chichester Infirmary.

### ASSISTANT COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

**Surrey County Nursing Association.**—Miss May Evans has been appointed Inspector of Midwives and Assistant County Superintendent. She was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and has since worked as holiday staff nurse at St. George's Hospital, W., District Nurse under the Chester District Nursing Association (2½ years), Inspector of Midwives, Glamorgan County Council (4 years), and for three months on the staff of St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago. She holds certificates of the London Obstetrical Society, Central Midwives Board, Royal Southern Hospital (4 years), and the Royal Sanitary Institute.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**Glasgow Royal Asylum, Gartnavel.**—Miss Jane Minty has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the District Asylum, Aberdeen, and at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan.

### NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT AND HOME SISTER.

**The General Hospital, Bristol.**—Miss Maud M. Cooper has been appointed Night Superintendent and Home Sister. She was trained at the North Staffordshire Infirmary, Stoke-on-Trent, where she subsequently held the position of Sister in the Children's Ward, the Male Surgical Ward and the Theatre. She has therefore had a varied experience to qualify her for her responsible position.

### NIGHT SISTER.

**Royal Victoria Hospital, Bournemouth.**—Miss L. A. Brown has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, and has held the position of Night Charge Nurse at the Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, and of Sister at the Royal Hospital, Richmond, Surrey.

### THEATRE SISTER.

**St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester.**—Miss Annie M. Latham has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at Leeds General Infirmary, where she was also Staff Nurse.

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