February 3, 1912

DATE OF THE COLOGNE CONGRESS.

We are informed by Sister Agnes Karll, President of the International Council of Nurses, that the Nursing Congress at Cologne will open on the morning of August 5th next. The ceremonial of the International Council will follow the precedent of the London meeting in 1909, which was enthusiastically approved. In the historic Güzenich, which contains a magnificent organ, each country, when affiliated, will enter the International Federation to the inspiring sound of its own National Anthem, and twice at least we shall listen to our own, when the nurses of India, and of New Zealand, forge two strong links in the international nursing chain.

Great Britain and Ireland is going to give all possible support to Germany upon this great occasion.

The German nurses are determined to present the Nursing Pageant as finely as possible. We are glad to hear that several of our most splendid heroines will appear in the processions.

France ought to send Blessed Joan of Arc. She not only led warriors to victory, but visited and comforted them in hospitals when sick and wounded.

LECTURES TO NURSES.

Four lectures for Hospital Nurses, arranged by the Nurses' Missionary League, will be given on Tuesday mornings in February, from 10.30 to 11.30, at University Hall, Gordon Square, W.C. (Doctor Williams' Library). February 6th: "How to Study the Bible; (1) The Bible as a whole," by Miss J. Macfee, B.A. February 13th: "Medical Work in a Chinese Country Station," by Doctor Norah L. Bryson. February 20th: "How to Study the Bible; (2) Detailed Study," by Miss J. Macfee. February 27th: "Medical Work in the Capital of China," by Doctor Cochrane. There will be an opportunity for social intercourse before and after each lecture.

MATERNITY NURSES' CONCERT.

The Penbridge Concert Party are kindly giving an entertainment in aid of the Trained Maternity Nurses' Association at All Saints' Hall, Powis Gardens, Notting Hill Gate, W., on Monday, Feb. 12th. The price of tickets is— Reserved, 2s.; unreserved, 1s. Admission 6d. Doors open 7.30 p.m. Commence 8 p.m. Carriages 10.30 p.m. Further particulars can be obtained from the Secretary, T.M.N.A., 33, Strand, W.C.

APPOINTMENTS.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

West Kent Hospital, Maidstone.—Miss Kathleen Smith has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the West Kent Hospital, at Maidstone. She was trained at the Essex and Colchester Hospital, and at the Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester. She was sister at the Colchester Hospital for six months, subsequently Theatre Sister at West Norfolk Hospital, Kings Lynn, Ward Sister and Assistant Matron at the Royal Hants Hospital, and for the past three years has held the post of Housekeeper at the Leicester Infirmary. Miss Smith is Matron of the 5th Southern Territorial Hospital.

MATRON.

Hospital for Tuberculosis Children, Gringley-onthe-Hill, Notts.—Miss Florence Burgess has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Blackburn and East Lancashire Infirmary, and has held the position of Sister at the District Hospital, West Bromwich, the Stafford General Infirmary, and the General Hospital, Nottingham, from which Institution she was selected for the present post. This is a most enviable post. It is most beautifully situated and equipped.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Shirley Warren Infirmary, Southampton. — Miss Mary Ann Cairns has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Union Infirmary, Greenwich, where she has held the positions of Sister, Midwife, and Night Superintendent. She has also been Home Sister at the City Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne. She is a certified midwife.

SISTER.

General Hospital, Nottingham.—Miss Agnes Johnson has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Lincoln County Hospital; has for some time been in charge of a private hospital in Nottingham; and has, for the past two years, been Sister of surgical wards at the General Hospital, Chesterfield.

The Royal Infirmary, Oldham.—Miss Margaret E. Browne has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Bury Dispensary Hospital, and has held the positions of Staff Nurse, Theatre Charge Nurse, Sister of Women's and Children's Wards at the Hartlepool Hospital, Hartlepool, Charge Nurse at the Broadstone Jubilee Hospital, Port Glasgow, and Staff Nurse and Temporary Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Oldham.

THEATRE SISTER.

The Royal Infirmary, Oldham.—Miss Elizabeth Killingbeck has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Seaman's Hospital, Greenwich, and has held the position of Sister at the Plaistow Hospital, E., and has been Theatre Staff Nurse at the Hospital for Women, Soho Square, W.

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