

THE MATRONS' COUNCIL OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

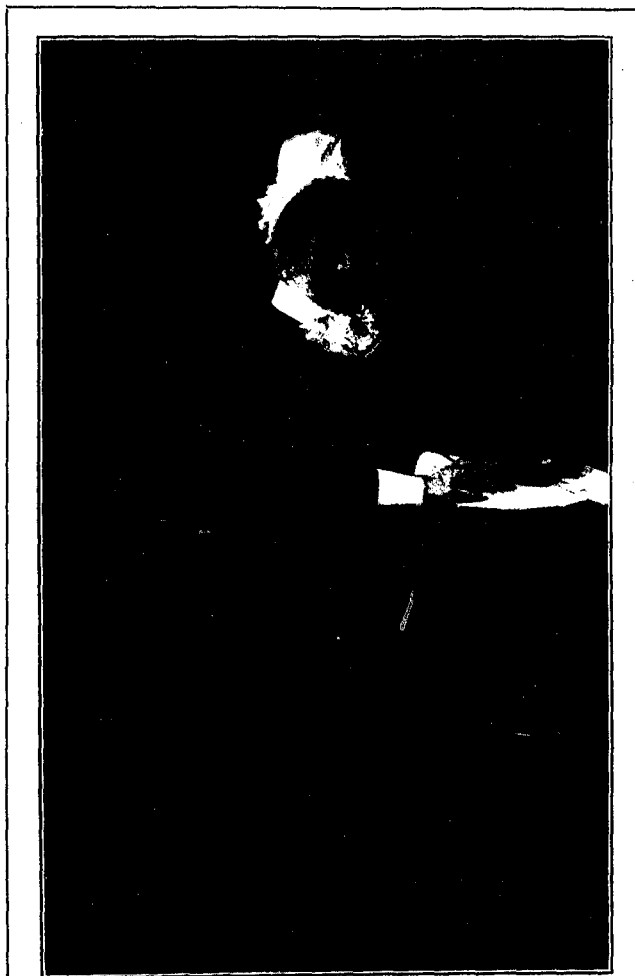
The quarterly meeting of the Matrons' Council will be held, by the courtesy of the Governors, at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan, on Saturday, November 2nd, at 3.30 p.m. The meeting will receive a Report from Miss Mollett, the representative of the Council to the Cologne Congress, and a proposal from Mrs. Fenwick that the Council adopt a Banner.

At 5 p.m. there will be an open meeting, when the Bill for the Registration of Trained Nurses will be considered, the discussion to be opened by Mrs. Fenwick. Miss Macintyre has issued invitations to many of the Council coming from London to stay the week-end, and several members have accepted her kind hospitality. Amongst those who will form the London party are Miss Heather-Bigg (the President), Mrs. Fenwick, Miss Mollett, Mrs. Walter Spencer, Miss B. Cutler, Miss Elma Smith, and Miss Winmill, all of whom are anticipating a very pleasant time.

One of the pleasantest features of the visits of the Matrons' Council to provincial hospitals has been the cordiality of the governors and secretaries of the institutions where their meetings have been held, which seems to prove that, where a Matron, such as the hostess of the Council at its forthcoming meeting, Miss

Macintyre, is a convinced supporter of nursing organization and progress, she is able as a rule to interest her committee in the aspirations of the nursing profession, and to enlist their sympathy. If more Matrons made a point of speaking to members of their committees, individually and collectively, on these matters, we should not so often hear nurses lament that

their committees are out of touch with their ideals and do not understand them. Miss Macintyre is to be congratulated upon working under a committee so sympathetic with its Matron, and the committee of the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan, is to be congratulated on so efficient and loyal an officer, whose professional work is known and appreciated far beyond the limits of her own hospital.



MISS K. V. MACINTYRE,
HOSTESS OF THE MATRONS' COUNCIL.

A very practical result of the International Congress of Nurses, in which the pre-eminence of Miss Florence Nightingale as an educationalist was insisted upon, has been that Miss Barton, Matron of the Chelsea Infirmary, has decided to give a prize twice a year,

after each third year examination, to the best all-round nurse, and a book after each first year examination, to the probationer who obtains the most marks, as a memorial to Miss Nightingale and an outcome of the Congress. These prizes will be given until the next International Nursing Congress takes place in San Francisco in 1915. The first prize will take the form of the League Badge in silver.

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