

SISTER.

Ruchill Hospital, Glasgow.—Miss Agnes Melville has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, and at Ruchill Hospital.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

The following lady, on her retirement, is granted permission to retain the badge of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, in recognition of her long and devoted services:—Miss Mary E. Harper, R.R.C.

STAFF NURSE.

Staff nurse, Miss Isabel Harley, resigns her appointment (December 8th).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

The following ladies have been appointed Nursing Sisters: Miss M. F. Wilson, Miss G. M. Finch, and Miss E. M. Dundas.

The following lady nurse has been permitted to retire:—Senior Nursing Sister Miss Dora Louisa Truslove Moore (Dec. 14).

TERRITORIAL FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

Miss Annie Livingstone Charteris, Sister, to be Matron, vice Miss Emil Martin Wheeler, resigned (Dec. 18); Miss Emma E. Talor, Sister, to be Matron, vice Miss Edith Sellar, resigned (Dec. 18.)

**QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.
SUPERINTENDENT.**

Miss Dorothy Godden is appointed Superintendent at Brighton. Miss Godden received general training at Hampstead Hospital, midwifery training at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, and district training at Brighton; and has since held the following appointments: Queen's Nurse, Hove, Doncaster, Brighton (Senior Nurse and subsequently Assistant Superintendent). Miss Godden has also had experience in fever and private nursing. She holds the certificate of the Central Midwives Board.

Transfers and Appointments.—Miss Florence Fidler, to Sheerness; Miss Jane Henderson, to Huddersfield; Miss Madeline Jackes, to Central St. Pancras; Miss Minnie Jarvis, to Kensington; Miss Flora Kay, to Stockton-on-Tees; Miss Frances Pullen, to Reading; Miss Mabel Fleming-Shearer, to Brixton.

PRESENTATION.

Nurse Beta, who for seven years has been the District Nurse, and has laboured amongst the sick in the East End of Sheffield, was recently—upon her approaching marriage—presented with a purse of gold by Mrs. Douglas Vickers, which had been subscribed for by the "inhabitants of the district in token of their esteem and affectionate regard for her." Mrs. Vickers said that whenever there was sickness or sorrow, or distress, in a Brightside home, Nurse Beta was sure to be close at hand, ready to render assistance.

NURSING ECHOES.

The At Home given annually by Miss Curtis and the nurses of the Fulham and Hammersmith District Nursing Association at the Hammersmith Town Hall is always a very pleasant function. The one this year on December 12th seemed more largely attended even than usual, and while the visitors enjoyed tea at small round tables, the London Diocesan Orchestra, conducted by Mrs. Ronald Carter, provided an excellent musical programme, the songs by Miss Jean Pyne and Mr. Bernard Lane being specially appreciated.

The Mayor of Hammersmith presided at the business meeting, and Dr. Fry read the list of contributions for the year from boxes, cards, and local collections, amounting in all to £144 11s. 10d., after which Countess Ferrers, in a happy speech, thanked the subscribers, and said that the collection was the largest which had yet been made. She said that nursing had now reached such perfection that it was an art and the work of artists, and the best untrained friends were poor makeshifts. When her own relatives became ill, she generally tried to nurse them herself at first, and it was an extraordinarily blessed day for them when the trained nurse came in. In connection with the collections, the speaker said that nurses were in the forefront of the battle in the war with disease, and they should not have at the same time the strain of financial worry. Other speakers were the Treasurer of the Association, Mr. Von Glehn, Mr. Watson, and the Rev. Mr. Walsh, Vicar of St. John's, Hammersmith.

In connection with our correspondence with Mr. Bruxner, we have received several letters from Queen's Nurses, all of whom urge the necessity of pensions being granted to them. One writes: "I find it quite impossible to save out of my very moderate salary. I love district nursing better than any other work, but must in the near future give it up, as I am alone in the world, and must try and keep myself out of the workhouse. I think the Queen's Nurses should be treated as Army and Navy nurses, and earn a pension; they do quite as much good, work much harder, and have no sort of practical recognition."

Another writes: "I very strongly object to the depreciation of District Nursing which year by year is taking place. In many districts where a Queen's Nurse could and should be employed, her work, which requires such very special training, is being given over to a midwife, with the title of village nurse. Why is it

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