

and district nursing. She is a certified midwife and holds the certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute.

#### QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

##### TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Harriet P. Moore is appointed to Brixton as Senior Nurse, Miss Annabella Broadfoot to Harpenden, Miss Laurina de Wit to Hampstead, Miss Louisa Hogarth to Minchinhampton, Miss Edith D. Ludlow to Tottenham, Miss Ellen Nichols to Exmouth, Miss Lilian Ponsford to Olton, Miss Margaret Porteus to Shoreditch.

#### THE BART'S GOLD MEDAL.

Miss E. Thompson has gained the Gold Medal in the Final Examinations after three years' training at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C., and Miss H. F. Fraser the Prize of Books in the First Year's Examination. Both are very good nurses and the awards are popular in the School.

#### PRIZES AT CHELSEA INFIRMARY.

On the evening of April 23rd Miss Stansfeld, Superintendent Lady Inspector under the L.G.B., kindly distributed the prizes won by the nurses at their recent examinations. After a very interesting and helpful address Miss Stansfeld handed a silver badge to Nurse Gwen Coles, who had received the highest marks as best all-round nurse at the conclusion of the three years' training. Nurse Bertha Evans was awarded a book as she had received the highest number of marks at the first year examination.

#### PRESENTATION.

Miss G. R. Hale, Superintendent of the Nurses' Home at Bart's, left to take up her appointment as Matron of the New Hospital for Women on May 1st. Her colleagues presented her with a beautiful silver tea-service, and are so sorry to lose her, as she is held in great regard and affection by all those she came in contact with. One consolation to her numerous friends is that her new sphere of duty is not far away.

#### THE PASSING BELL.

A member of the Nursing Staff at St. Bartholomew's Hospital writes: "We have been depressed to the very depths this past week by the most sad death of Mr. Etherington-Smith. He was so beloved by us all, and as surgeon to the nursing staff was known personally to so many. His was such a sunny nature, always so keen at work or play, and so courteous to all. The service at St. Bartholomew's the Great was most impressive, and it made one's heart ache to see all his special hospital friends bearing in his coffin on their shoulders, and to hear all those boys—the students—sing 'Fight the Good Fight.' There was not standing room for them."

#### NURSING ECHOES.

We have received the results of the examinations which have just been held for the certificates which the Asylums Board now offers to the nurses who work in the acute infectious hospitals. These certificates form an important part of the new nursing scheme which came into operation about three years ago. Trained nurses who have worked not less than twelve months under the Board, and passed a written and an oral examination in fevers and fever nursing, are given a certificate setting forth these facts; probationers must serve for two years, and pass an examination in anatomy and physiology, as well as in fevers and fever nursing. Each probationer is given a certain number of marks by the matron and medical superintendent of her hospital for her work and conduct during her period of training, and unless she obtains sufficient she is not allowed to enter for the examination. The maximum number of marks obtainable for work and good conduct are equal to half the maximum given for the examination. The two are added together in determining the placing of the successful candidates.

There entered for the examination one sister, seven staff nurses, and fifty-two probationers. There passed one sister, two staff nurses, and thirty-six probationers. We congratulate probationer Rossiter, of the North-Eastern Hospital, on the high standard she attained. Miss Rossiter gained the Gold Medal with 551 marks out of a possible 600, and Miss L. A. Paxman, of the South-Eastern Hospital, the Silver Medal, with 508 marks.

Miss Leach, who was for ten years Matron of Wood Green Hospital, has taken Clarence House, North Finchley, a mansion standing in its own grounds, and furnished it in up-to-date style as a Nursing Home and Institute. Clarence House, which stands in the quietest part of Finchley, is an ideal spot for the purpose, as the two acres of grounds are tastefully laid out, and not a sound will disturb the patients. The operating room is spacious, and opens on to a balcony, is entirely white, and all necessary appliances are enamelled. Needless to add, the operating table is of the latest and most convenient type. Let us hope Miss Leach has a successful and happy future before her.

In recommending a series of grants to persons who rendered good services in connection with the recent sewer catastrophe, the Kensington Council submits a report that it would like

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