

point of view. Whatever the habit worn by the nurse, she is no longer, he says, any more than the doctor, simply a servant of the poor. She gives to them, without measure, her experience, her knowledge, her affection; but she is not a personal servant. In America her profession ranks by the side of that of medicine, and a State diploma is imposed upon those who wish to exercise it, as a guarantee required by the public; to-morrow England will accord her the same distinction. "Let us," says M. Mesureur, "give to nurses the power to combine, of freely discussing their desires, their aspirations, their cares which originate in identical responsibilities."

After quoting some remarks of the editor of this JOURNAL on the necessity for Nurses' Homes apart from the hospitals, M. Mesureur says that the pupils of the "Ecole des Infirmières" at Paris during their recreation time enjoy tennis, dancing, and music, and at Forges-les-Bains a country house receives tired nurses, and the nurses' quarters are distinct from the hospital.

"This," he concludes, "is the suitable provision demanded for those to whom we confide our sick, and, by whatever name we call them, English nurses, French *soignantes*, or *re-ligeuses*, German *pflegerinnen*, it is true that the duties of the nurse, and—why not say the word—the rights of the nurse, are identical in all latitudes and in all countries." The article is charmingly illustrated, as will be recognized in the picture we reproduce.

NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A meeting of the Cambridge Branch of the National Union of Trained Nurses was held on Tuesday, December 16th. Mrs. Greenstreet, Hon. Diocesan Secretary of the Mothers' Union, kindly went over and gave a most interesting address on "The Mothers' Union in connection with the work of Nurses." About thirty members were present, and the meeting was followed by tea, which was kindly given by a local member of the Mothers' Union.

REPORT ON THE NURSING OF INSURED PERSONS.

The Report of the Proceedings at the National Conference on the Nursing of Insured Persons, convened by the Association of Approved Societies, and held at the Caxton Hall, S.W., on Nov. 26th, has now been published and may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, 82, Victoria Street, S.W., price 6d. It is of much interest and should be studied by all who are interested in the nursing of insured persons.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

The Children's Hospital, Sunderland.—Miss Mary L. Cameron has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and has held the following positions:—Theatre Sister, Ward Sister and Night Superintendent at the Liverpool Infirmary for Children, and Night Superintendent at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, and Home Sister and Assistant Matron of the same hospital since January, 1913.

Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Hemlington, Middlesbrough.—Miss Rosina M. Webb has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, and has held the appointment of Sister at the Crossley Sanatorium, Cheshire, and at the City Hospital, Leeds, Senior Sister at the Royal Sanatorium, Bournemouth, Matron, Home Sanatorium, Bournemouth, and has temporarily done Assistant Matron's duties at an Isolation Hospital.

SISTER.

County Hospital, York.—Miss Margaret Earl has been appointed Sister of the Children's Ward. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Sunderland, and has done private nursing, and has been Ward Sister at the Kent General Hospital, Maidstone.

City of Westminster New Infirmary, Collindale Avenue, N.W.—Miss Jessie Matilda Martin has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Wandsworth Infirmary, and has held the position of Sister at the Croydon Infirmary, and has also had experience in children's work at Queen Mary's Hospital, Carshalton, and in infectious work under the Metropolitan Asylums Board.

Miss Elsie Fletcher has also been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, where she held the position of Staff Nurse. She received midwifery training at Walton, Liverpool.

City Hospital, Little Bromwich, Birmingham.—Miss E. M. Hendrick has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the General Hospital, Wolverhampton, and has been Sister at Highfield Infirmary, Liverpool, and the City Hospital, Lodge Moor, Sheffield. She has also worked as Voluntary Health Visitor at Bootle.

Miss Minnie Jones has also been appointed Sister. She was trained at Fulham Infirmary, Hammersmith, and has been Staff Nurse at the South Western Hospital, Stockwell.

SCHOOL NURSE.

Borough of Portsmouth.—Miss Lillian M. Oakes has been appointed School Nurse. She was trained at the Portsea Island Union Infirmary, Portsmouth, and has held the position of Charge Nurse at the Eastern Hospital, Homerton, and of Charge Nurse and Night Superintendent at Portsea Island Union Infirmary.

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