

## A COLLEGE OF HEALTH.

In a report presented by the Local Government Committee to the London County Council on Tuesday, particulars of the new rules which have been made for regulating the foundation of the Twelfth Century Ecclesiastical Corporation, St. Katharine's Hospital, were welcomed and it was agreed the Lord Chancellor to be so informed.

The preamble of the new rules for the regulation of the Foundation states that Queen Alexandra, patron, has "thought fit of her goodness to declare her will and pleasure, first, that the benefit of the foundation of St. Katharine's shall be restored to the poor of the East of London, and secondly, that neither shall any person now on the Foundation suffer any change nor shall its character or buildings be secularized." There is to be established on a site at the East End of London, as near as may be to the site of the ancient Foundation of St. Katharine-by-the-Tower, a college to be called "The College of St. Katharine-by-the-Tower." The objects are:— "(1) The provision of a body of duly qualified resident health visitors (*i.e.*, women possessing nursing, obstetric, and public health certificates, and having had experience of maternity work), who shall devote themselves mainly, but not necessarily, to maternity and health visiting, working in defined areas under the direction and control of the respective medical officers of health of the borough councils in the poorer districts of East London, and reporting to the medical officers, through the principal, the results of their visits; (2) the training for such work of students, being women, who possess similar qualifications to those above mentioned, but lack experience."

### THE GOVERNING BODY.

The governing body (to be called the chapter) will consist of the Bishop of London and the principal (*ex-officio*), the patron's secretary, the Rector of Lambeth, a person to be named by the Lord Chancellor, and a person to be named by the London County Council. No period of office is fixed by the rules. The chapter will have control of the college, and, with the consent of the patron, will frame rules for its management and provide such salaries or other remuneration as may be necessary for the administration of the college.

There will be a woman principal of the college and also a matron and a chaplain, and as many resident visitors and students as the chapter direct. The principal will be appointed by the patron on the recommendation of the Bishop of London, who, before making such recommendation, will have to consult the medical officer of health of the London County Council and the medical officer of the Local Government Board. Resident visitors will be appointed by the patron on the advice of the Bishop of London in consultation with the principal and the medical officer of health of the London County Council. They must be "women who are qualified to visit,

advise and otherwise help mothers both before and after confinement." The matron will be appointed by the patron on such advice as aforesaid. The appointment of chaplain (who may, or may not, be one of the existing brothers of St. Katharine's Hospital) is vested in the patron.

The organisation providing for a master, brothers, sisters and extern sisters will gradually die out as vacancies, as they occur, are not to be filled up.

It is not yet known what funds are at present available for the purpose of the college, as the other functions of the foundation are to be a first charge on the revenue, but in view of recent and prospective reductions in establishment it is anticipated that a considerable accumulated sum and income will be immediately available for the new work.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Deaconess Hospital, Edinburgh, (Lady Grisell Baillie Memorial). Miss A. T. Turnbull has been appointed Lady Superintendent. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, and has since been Sister there; temporary District Nurse, Deaconess Hospital, Edinburgh; Sister-Midwife, Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London; Matron, Cottage Hospital, Swanage; and of the Medical Mission Hospital, Plaistow.

### MATRON.

Merchant Taylors' Company Convalescent Home for Men, Bognor.—Miss Winifred Plum has been appointed Matron. She was trained at University College Hospital, and has been Sister at the Crumpsall Infirmary and Matron of the Victoria Hospital, Folkestone, and Assistant Matron at University College Hospital, W.C.

Isolation Hospital, Norwich.—Miss Elsie Helena Millman has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Leonard's Infirmary, Shoreditch, where she passed first in her final examination, and was subsequently appointed Ward Sister. She has been Home Sister and Deputy Matron at the Isolation Hospital, Southampton, and Assistant Matron at the Belvidere Hospital, Glasgow.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

Edmonton Infirmary—Miss Mary Bishop has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at Bradford Infirmary and has been Sister at Portsmouth Infirmary, and Sister and Night Superintendent at Islington Infirmary. She holds the certificate of the Central Midwives Board.

### NIGHT SISTER.

Borough Isolation Hospital, Stockport.—Miss Mary Agnes Graham has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Leeds Union Infirmary where she has done temporary Sister's duties, and has held the position of Sister at the

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