

**SECRETARY.**

King Edward's Coronation Fund for Nurses.—Miss S. Wheeler has been appointed Secretary on the resignation of Miss Cherry. The Office of the Society is now at 73, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin.

**QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.****TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.**

Miss A. N. Morson is appointed to Wales as Inspector. She received general training at St. George's Hospital, midwifery training on the York Road District. Since enrolment has held several appointments under the Institute, including that of Superintendent for the Derbyshire C.N.A.

Miss Elsie Bennions is appointed to West Riding as Superintendent. She received general training at Bethnal Green Infirmary, midwifery training at the Home for Mothers and Babies, Woolwich, and District training at Brighton. She has since been Queen's Nurse, Farnham Royal, Superintendent (temporary) Huddersfield D.N.A., and Superintendent (temporary) West Riding C.N.A.

Miss Rosina Blundell is appointed to Lincolnshire as Training Midwife; Miss Lily Barraclough, to Newton Heath; Miss Elizabeth Cannon, to Leeds (Holbeck); Miss Nellie Glover, to Bath, permanently; Miss Ellen Jacob, to Clarence and Haverton Hill; Miss Martha Jennings, to Wilmslow; Miss Lucy Macpherson, to Stafford; Miss Hannah Porteus, to Hammersmith, as School Nurse; Miss Mary J. Scott, to Carcroft; Miss Georgie Simpson, to Stafford; Miss Mary Stanley, to Buxton; Miss Florence Underhill, to St. Olaves; Miss C. Williams, to Langton Green; Miss Margaretha Zintel, to Gosport.

**GOLD MEDAL AND PRIZES.**

Lord Howard de Walden, who presided at the annual meeting of the friends of the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, N.E., subsequently presented prizes to nurses who had passed the recent examination. Miss Beatrice Warner, who secured 452 out of a possible 500 marks received a gold medal and a guinea.

**THE PASSING BELL.**

The death of Mother St. George (Miss Frances Jane Pursell) at the Convent of the Faithful Virgin, Norwood, at the age of 87, removes one of the most notable of Miss Nightingale's co-workers in the Crimea. The Convent had no mission to nurse the sick, but in response to the call for workers provided five nuns, whose good work at Scutari in nursing the wounded, the sick, and the cholera stricken is a matter of history. Mother St. George was decorated by Queen Victoria with the Royal Red Cross, and was a member of the Committee formed to erect a memorial to Miss Nightingale. Her simple funeral took place in the Convent burying ground. It was suggested that a gun carriage should be lent by the War Office, but this was found to be impracticable as it could not have been accommodated in the Convent grounds.

**NURSING ECHOES.**

The explanatory Petition drafted by the Central Committee for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, and signed by the Chairman, the Right Honourable the Lord Ampthill, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., and the Hon. Secretaries, will be presented to the Premier by Dr. Chapple, M.P., who is in charge of the Nurses' Registration Bill. An Appendix, signed by 500 Matrons and Superintendents of Nurses, resident in all parts of the United Kingdom, will support the Petition.

We do not know if the much-discussed "brown" ticket admitting nurses to the Nursing and Midwifery Exhibition at the Horticultural Hall, Westminster, next week, has been passed by the Matrons whose names appear as the Executive Committee of the Conference. We doubt it. It is quite incredible that they should imagine that professional women are going to "satisfy the Conference Secretary (that is, Miss S. Bulan) as to their qualifications," as printed on the ticket, before being admitted to the Conference.

The Executive Sub-Committee of this function is composed entirely of laywomen, with the exception of Miss E. Brierley, and we can but surmise that these ladies, dressed in a little brief authority, are quite unaware of the strong objection felt by trained nurses to their impertinent assumption of authority concerning nursing affairs. This Conference ukase seems quite on a par with the "discretion" assumed by the Superintendents of Labour Exchanges in defining nursing qualifications, recently discussed in the House of Commons. It is equally grotesque and objectionable. We hope the Matrons who have delegated the power of exclusion to a Sub-Committee of journalists and clerical workers will at once take steps to remedy this obnoxious arrangement—that is, if self-respecting professional women are expected to attend the Conference.

The twelfth Annual Meeting, and the sixth Annual Dinner of the Guy's Hospital Nurses' League will be held in the Nurses' Home on Friday, April 24th. The eleventh Annual Exhibition of the Guy's Hospital Nurses' Photographic Society opens in the Nurses' Home on April 24th. This exhibition is always an extremely interesting one, and some of the photographs attain to a high level of merit. The second Exhibition of needlework will also be opened on the same day. Any kind of needlework made by members of the League

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