

Service, whose retirement was announced with effect from September 22nd, will continue in her present appointment.

#### QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

Miss J. E. Wootten has been appointed a Nursing Sister in the above Service.

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

Miss Alice J. Warwick is appointed Senior Nurse at Exeter, Miss Marion Moore to Hereford, Miss Clara Parker to Grimsby, Miss Ella Sissons to Exeter, Miss Esther Snowden to Sunderland.

#### THE POOR LAW INFIRMARY NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

Owing to the War, the Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Poor Law Infirmary Matrons' Association, will not take place in October as arranged.

#### MEDALS FOR NURSES.

Medals have been presented to three members of the nursing staff at Bagthorpe Infirmary, Nottingham, who have gained the highest number of examination marks. Miss Usherwood, who is a third-year probationer, received a gold medal, Miss Newland (second year) a silver medal, and Miss Shephard (first year) a bronze medal.

#### ANOTHER MASQUERADER.

We regret to note the following cases of fraud in connection with the Red Cross, and made possible by the misuse of nurses' uniform. At Liverpool last week, a smartly-attired young woman named Bride G. Hickey, who has been collecting money on the ferryboats, attired in the uniform of a Red Cross nurse, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for obtaining £8 10s. 7d. by false pretences. It was stated that she was not authorised to collect. She described herself as a music-hall artist out of work.

#### THE PASSING BELL.

We regret to have to announce the death, under tragic circumstances, of Miss Charlotte Phipps, Superintendent Nurse of Barnet Poor Law Infirmary.

Miss Phipps, during the two and a half years of her office, effected great improvements in the Infirmary, which is of the old-fashioned type. It was hoped that her excellent organising powers might have found a wider scope in the new Infirmary shortly to be built. She won both the affection and esteem of her nurses. High nursing ability, devotion to duty and fearless candour are qualities not easily found, nor will they be easily replaced.

#### NURSING ECHOES.

Fever Nurses are urgently required at some of the fine hospitals of the Metropolitan Asylums Board, as Sisters, Staff Nurses, probationers, assistant nurses, Class I and II, and also nursing attendants. Training in the care of infectious diseases forms a very important part of a thoroughly trained nurse's efficiency, and in private nursing is invaluable. In selecting nurses for the Registered Nurses' Society, the Superintendent gives preference to those trained nurses who have the additional qualification of a certificate for Fever Nursing.

A second Home for Retired Nurses is to be opened towards the end of the month by the Committee of the Nurses' Memorial to King Edward VII. It is situated in Norland Square, Holland Park. Those nurses desiring rooms should apply to Miss Swift, at 15, Buckingham Street, Strand, London.

We have received a number of indignant letters from nurses and others concerning a letter which appeared in the press on Monday, headed "Unemployed Domestic Servants," signed by the Duchess of Marlborough, the Countess of Selborne, Lady St. Helier, and Lady Emmott, in which they ask for subscriptions to support their scheme to provide work for unemployed servants. They propose to open a bureau for the following purposes:—

(a) To ascertain how much unemployment exists among domestic servants and how it is distributed.

(b) To give training in domestic economy to the younger and more untrained section of servants.

(c) To train and place a number of suitable girls (unemployed servants) as emergency nurses for hospital work, so as to meet the grave shortage at present existing.

(d) To endeavour to find maintenance at least for those for whom employment or training cannot be provided.

It is, of course, to paragraph (c) that trained nurses and members of training school committees strongly object. As Miss H. Bartleet points out in another column, she imagines the signatories mean wardmaids, and not emergency nurses.

A county matron encloses the following advertisement from a paper dealing with nursing, and thinks the lady who inserted it might benefit by hearing the opinion of the

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