

APPOINTMENTS.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Willesden Infirmary.—Miss Lucy Bowden has been appointed Night Superintendent at Willesden Infirmary. She was trained at the Royal National Hospital, Ventnor, and the St. Marylebone Infirmary. She has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Cottage Hospital, Cowes, Night Sister at the Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ireland, and Ward Sister for two and a-half years at Selly Oak Infirmary. She is a certified masseuse.

Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill, N.—Miss Dora Ann Douglas Beattie has been appointed Sister. She was trained at Mill Road Infirmary, Liverpool, and has been Staff Nurse in a hospital for consumption; Charge Nurse at Eccleshall Bierlow Infirmary, Sheffield, and Union Infirmary, Sunderland; and Sister at Mount Vernon Hospital, Hampstead.

MESSAGE SISTER.

General Hospital, Bristol.—Miss Laura Girling has been appointed Massage Sister. She was trained at the Swedish Institute.

SCHOOL NURSE.

Rochdale Education Committee.—Miss Florence B. Gill has been appointed School Nurse. She was trained at the Beckett Hospital, Barnsley, and the Brook Hospital, Shooter's Hill, Woolwich, M.A.B., and has held the position of District Nurse at Broseley, Shropshire, and School Nurse at Boston, Lincolnshire.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Fife County Council, Cupar.—Miss Mary Stewart has been appointed Health Visitor. She was trained at the City of Glasgow Hospital, and the Royal Infirmary, Dundee, and has held the position of Senior Staff Nurse at the Ochil Hills Sanatorium. She has also had experience of private nursing.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

Miss Edith Hilda Winton and Miss Amy May Mitchell have been appointed Nursing Sisters.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.

Miss Mary Smith is appointed to Sussex C.N.A., as Second Assistant Superintendent and School Nurse.

Miss Smith received General and midwifery training at Dundee Royal Infirmary, and District training at Dundee; and has since been Queen's Nurse at Dundee, Dysart, and Combe Martin.

Miss Emily Whatham is appointed to Sussex C.N.A., as School Nurse and Tuberculosis Visitor; Miss Alma H. Packham, to Thetford; Miss Hannah P. Sunter, to Crook, Ings and Staveley; and Miss Jeannie E. Vaughan, to Buntingford.

NURSING ECHOES.

The inaugural meeting of the Central Council for District Nursing in London was held on December 1st in the Conference Hall of the Local Government Board. The Council has been established as the result of two previous conferences, at which it had been resolved that "a Central Council for London should be established, consisting of representatives of those engaged in district nursing and of others interested in the question, with the object of so systematising the arrangements for district nursing that there shall be adequate provision throughout the county."

There was a full attendance, including Mr. Herbert Samuel, M.P., President of the Board, who said:—

On behalf of the Local Government Board, this Department has to perform, among many other duties, the functions of a Ministry of Health, and as such it naturally takes the keenest interest in any measures to organise, in London or elsewhere, an adequate nursing service. The advent of the war has, of course, had a profound influence upon the question which we are met to consider. The demand for nurses is in these times greater than ever owing to the military need, but the requirements of the civilian population, and of the poor who are sick, have to be met whether we live in times of war or in times of peace, and we are bound to use our utmost efforts to see that the poor and suffering are assisted and relieved. Indeed, the advent of war may somewhat assist ultimately the work in which you are engaged, for it has brought home to the population perhaps more urgently than ever before the importance of the nursing service and the dignity and value of the nurses' work.

Sir William J. Collins was elected as Chairman, and Dr. Addison, M.P., as Vice-Chairman of the Council.

Sir W. Collins said he understood that there were so many branches of social service—voluntary and State-aided—engaged in nursing work that there was some overlapping. That was a defect, but it was desired not to supersede or supplant existing organisations, but to supplement, support, and perhaps subsidise the benevolent operations of voluntary agencies.

The following were elected to serve on the Executive Committee:—Mr. F. Briant, Dr. H. Ronald Carter, Sir William Church, Canon Craig, Canon Curtis, Mr. Dawes, M.P., Sir Arthur Downes, Mr. Alfred Ellis, Miss Christiana Gregory, Dr. C. J. Harrison, Miss Amy Hughes, the Rev. J. Scott Lidgett, Miss

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