

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Blencathra Sanatorium, Threlkeld, Cumberland.—Miss J. F. Gillespie has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Eastern District Hospital, Glasgow, where she was also Sister. She has been Sister at the Grampian Sanatorium, Kingussie, and the Dousland Sanatorium for Women. She has also been Matron of the Udal Torre Sanatorium for Men, Yelverton, under King Edward VII. Welsh National Memorial Association.

River Hospitals and Ambulance Service, Metropolitan Asylums Board, E.C.—Miss N. H. Thorpe has, subject to the assent of the Local Government Board, been unanimously recommended by the Hospitals Committee of the M.A.B., as Matron of the River Hospitals and Ambulance Service, in succession to Miss Wachter. Miss Thorpe was trained at the Croydon Infirmary, while on the staff of St. John's House, and has been in the Managers' service for upwards of 23 years; and for the last 15½ years as Assistant Matron at the Brook Hospital, where she is acting as Matron during the six months' leave of absence granted to Miss Bann.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Kingston, Surbiton and District Red Cross Hospital.—Miss Bertha Harris has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at Kensington Infirmary and has been Sister and Assistant Matron at the Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, Maida Vale, W.

SISTER.

St. James' Infirmary, Balham.—Miss Annie M. Harding has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Southwark Infirmary, East Dulwich, and has had experience of district nursing and midwifery, and of private nursing.

Miss Elizabeth Cochran and Miss Annie Ottiwell have also been appointed Sisters in the same institution. Both received their training at the Booth Hall Infirmary, Manchester, and both have done military nursing.

Isolation Hospital, Chester.—Miss L. Strange has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the North Devon Infirmary, Barnstaple, and the Lincoln County Hospital. She has been staff nurse at the North Derbyshire Hospital, Chesterfield, and the Livingstone Cottage Hospital, Dartford, and Sister and Home Sister at the Clayton Hospital, Wakefield, and the Children's Convalescent Home, West Kirkby.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Borough of Lambeth.—Miss Annie Stirk has been appointed Health Visitor. She was trained at the Scarborough Hospital, and at the Jessop Hospital, Sheffield. She has held the position of Assistant School Nurse under the Barnsley Education Committee and of Health and Sanitary Inspector in the City of Bradford. She is a certified midwife.

COLONIAL NURSING ASSOCIATION.

The Committee of the Colonial Nursing Association received the following communication from the Secretary of State for the Colonies in reference to the work done by the Nursing Sisters recommended by the Association for special war service in the Cameroons:—"The General Officer Commanding the Cameroons Expeditionary Force, in a despatch to the Secretary of State, makes special mention of the excellent services of the following nurses: Nursing Sister Miss E. L. Fleming, 'showed administrative ability while Senior Nursing Sister, Duala (British Section)'; Nursing Sister Miss L. Bell, 'for devotion to her native patients.'"

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.

TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Margaret Bloor is appointed to Todmorden; Miss Kate Hartland, to Woolton; Miss Elizabeth Magner, to Manchester (Salford); Miss Alice Nutter, to Paddington; Miss Eva W. Owen, to Rawmarsh and Parkgate; Miss Lilian Ponsford, to Olton; Miss Lilian M. Roberts, to Manchester (Ardwick); Mrs. Ethel Trimble, to Birmingham (Summer Hill Road).

THE PASSING BELL.

We greatly regret to record the death of Miss Olive Smith while on active service in Serbia with the Scottish Women's Hospital Unit. Miss Smith was the daughter of the late Mr. Robert Smith, of Greystone Dale, Haltwhistle, and was a distinguished physical training instructor, having studied first at Durham College of Science, Newcastle, and afterwards for three years at Mme. Oesterberg's Physical Training College at Dartford. She was the first teacher of gymnastics to female convicts, her work in this connection being done in the Glasgow prison, and its success led to the official adoption of the system in other prisons. She also held the position of head teacher in the Physical Training Department of Glasgow Provincial Centre for Teachers. On the outbreak of war she offered her services as a masseuse in a local hospital and later went to Malta, and two months ago to Salonika with Dr. Bennett.

With military honours Nurse A. M. Russell, whose death we announced last week, was interred at Reading on Monday, October 9th, representatives of the London County Council Nursing staff and of the School Nurses' League attending. There was a simple service in the chapel to which the members of Nurse Russell's family are attached and many nurses joined in this and in the sad procession to the cemetery.

The soldiers assisted in carrying the many floral tributes and with the sounding of the last post the earthly remains of a free spirit were laid to rest.

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