

representatives of the Association with the Hon. Arthur Stanley, M.P., and other promoters of this measure, it was stated that there would be no introduction of it during the present session, but the hope was also expressed by Mr. Stanley that later the Bill (perhaps with some alterations) might come forward as an agreed measure. In order to produce agreement any clauses which provide for or permit of regulations such as those we commented upon a fortnight since should entirely disappear, and nothing which permits of a semblance of similar control [the nurses 'as top-dogs'] should be allowed to take their place."

The invitation from the College to hundreds of Poor Law Guardians to help form the Consultative Board to govern the Nursing Profession has had just the result we prophesied. When naughty little boys poke sticks into a hornets' nest, there can be but one result.

A JUST BILL OR NO BILL.

As we go to press we have received, too late for publication this week, a communication from the College of Nursing, Ltd., signed by the whole Council, which not only requires space, but due consideration. We shall deal with the document next week. In the meanwhile our advice to trained nurses is not to be persuaded to pay a registration fee until they can register under an Act of Parliament. Registration by a Limited Liability Company gives no professional prestige whatever.

As we reported last week, the officials of the College of Nursing, Ltd., sent the privileged correspondence between the Central Committee and the College, on the negotiations on the Nurses' Registration Bill, to the "Nursing Press" run by hospital governors. Sir Henry Burdett could not, of course, resist the temptation of annotating the official correspondence. We hope the nursing profession will, however, realise the principles at issue between the Central Committee and the College and support the demand of the former for safe and just legislation. A just Bill or no Bill is the policy of the trained nurses' organizations, and the members will do wisely to support it.

Mr. Arthur Stanley proposes to visit Liverpool on Friday in this week, and Newcastle-on-Tyne, on December 8th, to speak about the College of Nursing. The Governors of Liverpool Hospitals have for long been strongly opposed to State Registration of Nurses. Let us hope that, if they are at last prepared to recant, it will mean real registration, which provides self-government for the nursing profession, and not what we might term Red Riding Hood Registration. We know what happened to that trusting and hapless child in the fairy story.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRONS.

Jessop Hospital for Women, Sheffield.—Miss Louisa H. Bolton has been appointed Matron. She was trained at University College Hospital, London, and has been Night Sister, Ward Sister, and Deputy Matron at the Samaritan Free Hospital, Marylebone Road, London, and Matron of the General Hospital, Tewkesbury. She is also a certified midwife, having received her midwifery training at the New Hospital for Women.

Aberdare and District General Hospital, Aberdare.—Miss Frances Hood has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, where she has held the position of Sister. She has also done Matron's duties at Rawcliffe Hospital, Chorley, and been Theatre Sister and Assistant Superintendent Nurse at Anlaby Road Infirmary, Hull, and Superintendent Nurse at the Infirmary, London Road, Coventry.

Isolation Hospital, Exeter.—Miss Breda Curtin Leahy has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, where she also held the position of Sister. She has also been Staff Nurse at the North Eastern Fever Hospital, Tottenham.

Convalescent Hospital for Soldiers, Denby Dale.—Miss M. A. Meadows has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Chester, and the City Hospital East, Liverpool, and has been Ward Sister at the Bradford Children's Hospital, Matron at the Convalescent Home, Parkgate, Cheshire, and Night Sister at the Children's Hospital, Leasowe, Cheshire.

SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

Moss Bridge Hospital, Darwen, Lancs.—Miss Gwynne Jones has been appointed Sister-in-Charge. She was trained at the Bolton Infirmary.

HOME SISTER.

Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ventnor.—Miss Louise J. Strange has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the Camberwell Infirmary, and has been Sister and Night Sister at the Royal National Hospital, Ventnor, and has also had experience of private nursing in the South of France and in Italy.

SISTER.

Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ventnor.—Miss Ada L. Gough has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Dudley Infirmary and has been Sister at the Ipswich Sanatorium and Night Sister at the Romsley Hill Sanatorium, near Birmingham.

North-Eastern Hospital, Tottenham, N.E.—Miss S. F. Rossiter has been appointed Sister. She received her fever training in the same hospital, gaining the gold medal of her year. She then served as Staff Nurse, and subsequently entered St. Bartholomew's Hospital for general training. She obtained her certificate last October, and has now returned to the North-Eastern Hospital as Sister.

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