

APPOINTMENTS.

SISTER.

Borough Isolation Hospital, Crewe.—Miss Maisie Wilson has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Warneford General Hospital (Leamington), and in fever nursing at the Canterbury Fever Hospital, and has had the position of Charge Nurse, Senior Sister and Sister at the Birkenhead Fever Hospital, Middlesbrough Fever Hospital, and Sittingbourne and Milton Joint Hospital, respectively.

NIGHT SISTER.

West Bromwich and District Hospital.—Miss E. M. Connell has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Northampton General Hospital, has been Staff Nurse at Merton Hospital, has done private nursing, and has had experience at Hounslow Hospital.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Nurse Crumbleholme, of Preston, has been appointed Lady Health Visitor, at Blackpool. She was one of Lady Paget's party who fought typhus fever in Serbia last year, and was taken prisoner by the Bulgarians. She volunteered for further service in the Balkans, but, as she had not fully recovered from a serious illness, which she contracted while a prisoner, she could not obtain the necessary medical sanction.

ORDERED ABROAD.

Miss Ethel Gray, R.R.C., who has been Matron of the Australian Hospital at Harefield Park, Uxbridge, since it opened, has had orders to proceed to France. We understand that some of the Sisters of the New Zealand Nursing Service are also under orders for service there.

We regret that, in our announcement of the marriage of Miss E. H. Ashford, last week, the name of the bridegroom should have been given as Dr. David Priestley Smith. Miss Ashford has married Mr. Priestley Smith, Consulting Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Queen's Hospital, Birmingham; and Emeritus Professor of Ophthalmology at the Birmingham University.

A number of women are "mentioned in despatches" by General Sir Archibald Murray, Commander-in-Chief in Egypt, for distinguished services rendered between June 1st and September 30th last. They are:—

Mrs. Phillips, Miss Smythe, the Dowager Countess of Carnarvon, Lady Douglas, Lady Ruffer, Lady Howard de Walden, Mrs. Heron, Mrs. Moss, Lady Cheetham, Mrs. Borton, the Hon. Lady Graham, Mrs. Walrond, the Hon. Mrs. Hopkinson, Mrs. Chisholm, Mrs. Beard, and Mme. Sinadino.

Among the nurses mentioned are: Principal Matron (temp. Matron in Chief) S. E. Oram, R.R.C., Matron E. C. Cheetham, Matron R. Osborne, Sister (acting Matron) M. L. Potter, Sister (acting Matron) K. F. G. Skinner, Sister (acting Matron) A. Weir, Staff Nurse (acting Matron) M. Willes, Sister (acting Matron) M. E. Smith, and Staff Nurse (acting Matron) G. Hughes.

THE SOCIETY FOR STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee at 431, Oxford Street, London, W., on Friday, December 15th, at 4 p.m., when matters of importance will be discussed. It is to be hoped members will make every effort to be present.

IRISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

An Executive Meeting of the Irish Nurses' Association was held on the 2nd inst., Miss Ramsden presiding. Three new members were elected to the Association.

The Statement issued under the authority of the Central Committee for the State Registration of Nurses was read, and unanimous approval of it was expressed.

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING.

Mr. Arthur Stanley, M.P., spoke at a meeting of nurses from the various Liverpool hospitals, in the out-patient hall of the Royal Infirmary, on the subject of the College of Nursing on November 24th. Mr. H. Wade Deacon (Chairman of the Royal Infirmary) presided.

Mr. Stanley said every one agreed that this was the right moment to organize the nursing profession, and the College of Nursing was necessary even if there were no State Registration concerned. The College was pledged to proceed with the attempt to get State Registration. Replying to certain criticisms against the College, he said whereas formerly the great training schools of nurses were opposed to registration, they were now supporters of it, and for that reason they had had so many matrons on the Council. Next year, however, the whole of the Council would disappear, and their successors would be elected by the nurses actually on the register.

This, we presume, is incorrectly reported as the nominated Council rules until 1918—when one-third of its members must retire, but are eligible for re-election. So that it is almost impossible ever to remove these nominated persons, who are attempting to govern the nursing profession without its consent.

Mr. Stanley will speak at Newcastle-on-Tyne on December 8th.

LUCKY LOO.

Lucky Loo, she had ten pennies,
She took them to the fair.
And nine she spent to peep in a tent
And see what wasn't there.

She finally made her way to the Pole, where we come to the clever finale:

And there she found the bear and his wife,
So she laid the cloth for two;
'Twas neat and nice, on a block of ice,
And the dinner was—Lucky Loo.

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