

## APPOINTMENTS.

### NURSE MATRON.

Port Sanitary Hospital, Ferry Bridge.—Mrs. Hornby has been appointed Nurse-Matron. She was trained at the Bucknall Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent, and has been assistant nurse at Astley Sanatorium, Charge Nurse at Goole Sanatorium, and Matron of Nant-y-glo Isolation Hospital, Monmouth.

### HOME AND NIGHT SISTER.

Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.—Miss G. Rowley has been appointed alternate Home and Night Sister. She was trained at the Hertford County Hospital, and has been Staff Nurse at the Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital, Sister at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Sister at the Royal Isle of Wight County Hospital, Ryde, and Night Sister at the Essex County Hospital, Colchester.

### SISTER.

Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.—Miss E. Warren Lee has been appointed Sister of a Military Ward. She was trained at the Hospital and Dispensary, Falmouth, and the Taunton and Somerset Hospital, Taunton, in connection with which she has done private nursing and been Sister of the Outpatients' Department and Theatre.

### QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

#### TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Minnie A. Fowler is appointed to Norfolk N.F. as Superintendent; Miss Amelia Jackson, to Somerset C.N.A., as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Annie M. Payne, to Camb. C.N.A., as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Mary L. Storey, to Norfolk N.F., as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Florence Archer, to Old Whitlington; Miss Lily Barraclough, to East London (Stepney), as Senior Nurse; Miss Amy Burkin, to Worthing, as Senior Nurse; Miss Mabel Byard, to Chesterfield; Miss Elizabeth Currie, to Ellet; Miss Louisa Hall, to Farningham; Miss Helen M. MacDonald, to Handsworth and Richmond; Miss Florence E. May, to Central St. Pancras; Miss Lynda M. Mitchell, to Hampstead; Miss Elizabeth Rowbotham, to Newton Heath.

### THE BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

There was a tremendous announcement of Birthday Honours on Monday. All sorts and conditions of men were recognised, and no doubt their "ladies" will enjoy their reflected glory.

The names of a very large number of members of the nursing profession appear as recipients of the Royal Red Cross.

The only other women whose names appear in the list were awarded the Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Medal as follows:—

Mrs. Isabel Whitehead, wife of the Right Rev. Dr. Whitehead, D.D., Bishop of Madras.

Miss May Reed, in charge of the Leper Asylum, Chandagh, Pithoragarh, Almora District, United Provinces.

## NURSING ECHOES.

We are glad to note that in the Court Circular one of the King's aunts is dropping her German title. "Princess of Great Britain and Ireland" is surely a sufficient honour for any woman. We also note that a well-known hospital matron has discarded her "dots" since the war!

The Annual Service for District and other nurses, and more particularly those of the East London Nursing Society, will be held in the Crypt of St. Paul's Cathedral, by kind permission of the Dean and Chapter, on Tuesday, June 12th, at 3 p.m., when an Address will be given by the Rev. J. D. Carter. Nurses and their friends are cordially invited to attend, and, no doubt, some of those now passing through London, both from the Dominions and belonging to the units sent by our American Allies will avail themselves of the opportunity.

Should matrons be allowed uniform as part of their emoluments is a question which has been agitating the Bolton Board of Guardians of late—one lady remarking that "she was quite agreeable to all the matrons having uniform, but 3½ guineas was too much for any woman's working dress," which apparently clinched the argument, as the proposal was vetoed by 29 votes to 11.

But why should matrons not be allowed uniform to wear on duty? Every other grade of nurse, also the ward maids and certain domestics, are granted uniform as part of their emoluments.

We presume up to the present civil matrons have not received uniform, because in former days they were often not trained nurses, and usually toured the wards in walking dress, including bonnet and gloves!

This costume was worn by the then Matron when we were a Sister at the London Hospital, and little Bingo trotted behind.

We well remember the strong objection of one of the Almoners of St. Bartholomew's Hospital when, as Matron, we appeared in a severe uniform dress and cap. This dear old gentleman became quite pathetic, and lamented that "it was unbecoming for the Matron of a Royal Hospital to wear livery," and he asked us:

"Ow can you support the dignity of your position unless you wear a bonnet?" to which we could but demurely reply "that we feared that if the dignity of the Matron of St. Bartholomew's Hospital depended upon a bonnet,

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