

will find everything cut and dried without their consent. It considers that the interests of their Overseas colleagues have been protected to the utmost by the Trained Nurses' Association, and a vigilant eye kept on the progress of the Bill, which provides for uniform registration throughout the Union, compulsory registration of trained nurses and midwives, and the punishment by imprisonment of all unregistered persons who practise nursing and midwifery; and it has every reason to believe that provision will be made for the representation of trained nurses on the General Medical Council.

That is the position in a nutshell. The nurses are to be governed by the General Medical Council with, possibly, a nurse or nurses upon it.

At present, nurses in South Africa are free, but if placed under the control of the General Medical Council, with registration enforced as compulsory, if they do not approve the rules made for their control they must either unwillingly submit, or must discontinue the practice of the profession on which they depend for their living, on pain of punishment by imprisonment! We cannot agree, therefore, with our contemporary that, in this event, "South African nurses on service overseas . . . will return to find nursing conditions a great deal better and more comfortable than when they left."

An independent Governing Body, and government by consent, are the first essentials for any skilled profession, and legislation which does not provide this modicum of justice for trained nurses is dangerous to the freedom of their class. We advise every nurse to oppose any Bill which does not specifically provide for self-government.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Leaf Homœopathic Cottage Hospital, Marine Road, Eastbourne.—Miss Florence Pitt has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Hospital Ryde, Isle of Wight, and has been Assistant Matron at the Warrington Infirmary, and Matron at the Cottage Hospital, East Molesley, and at the Auxiliary Hospital, Hammersmith.

SISTER.

Chiswick General Hospital, W. 4.—Miss E. Maud Mann has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the West London Hospital, and has been Night Sister at the Hostel of St. Luke.

Herbert Hospital, Woolwich.—Miss Kathleen Bourne has been appointed Sister at the Herbert Hospital, Woolwich. She was trained at the North Ormesby Hospital, Middlesbrough.

City Hospital South, Grafton Street, Liverpool.—Miss Mary B. Gallagher has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Belfast Infirmary, and the Purdysburn Fever Hospital.

Royal South Hants and Southampton Hospital.—Miss M. Hindle has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Huddersfield.

The Hospital, Leith, N.B.—Miss Phyllis Parker has been appointed Sister at the Leith Hospital. She was trained at the North Ormesby Hospital, Middlesbrough.

NIGHT SISTER.

Borough Hospital, Birkenhead.—Miss J. E. Cooper has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Oldham, and has been Sister at the Stockport Infirmary.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Establishment Committee of the L.C.C. reported at the meeting of the Council on Tuesday that four school nurses have resigned, and to fill two of the vacancies thus caused, we suggest the appointment of candidates whose names are on the approved panel of candidates considered suitable for appointment on the permanent staff. They recommended—(a) that the resignations of Miss L. A. Montague, Miss E. I. Anthony, Miss E. E. Poulden and Miss A. L. Witchell, school nurses in the public health department, be accepted, and (b) that, subject to their passing the usual medical examination Miss Gertrude Jeffery and Miss Ann Elizabeth Weeks be appointed school nurses in the public health department as from and including January 1st and 21st, 1918, respectively.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

Miss Agnes Mary Irwin, Miss Effie Florence Grove, Miss Beatrice Anderson, Miss Kathleen Mary Roxburgh Carmichael, and Miss Mary Mildred Edith Lowe have been appointed Nursing Sisters in the above Service.

PRESENTATION.

Lord and Lady Rhondda have presented Sister Poole, who has been in charge of the military hospital at Llanwern Park, the Food Controller's Monmouthshire residence, since its establishment with a cheque for £50 on her resignation of the position.

NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

A Quiet Day for Prayer and Meditation will be held on Friday, March 15th, by kind permission of the Rector at Holy Trinity Church, St. Marylebone, N.W. 1. It will be conducted by the Rev. C. Mollan Williams, M.A. 6.0 a.m., Holy Communion; 9.30 a.m., Morning Prayer; 10 a.m., Holy Communion; 10.30 a.m.—12.30 (mid-day), "Salvation" 1st Address, "The Goal"; 2nd Address, "The Stumbling Block"; 3rd Address, "Victory." 2.30 p.m., War Intercessions, 3.0—4.30, 4th Address, "The Life that is Life Indeed." 5th Address, "Prayer." 5.30 p.m., Shortened Evening Prayer with Address by the Rev. H. R. Anderson, M.A., Vicar of St. Luke's, Redcliffe Square.

There will be periods for Prayer and silent Meditation after each Address. Mr. Williams will be in church from 12.30—1, and from 2—2.30, to give further help to any nurses who wish.

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