

IRISH NURSING BOARD.

APPROVED BY THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND.

The Irish nursing world is engaged in the excitement of an election of Nurses on to the Irish Nursing Board, which they hope may some day develop into a National Registration Authority, legally constituted by Act of Parliament. There are thirty-eight good candidates—Matrons, Sisters and Nurses—for the twenty-two vacancies, and everything is being done in approved style. The election will take place on July 4th at 3 p.m. at the Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin.

We hear a large number of nurses are making application for registration by the Board, and are in increasing numbers, realising the importance of a vote for the representatives of their choice.

The office at 34, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, is humming with business.

APPOINTMENTS.

CHARGE SISTER.

Queen's Park Auxillary Military Hospital, Blackburn.—Miss Bessie Bury has been appointed Charge Sister. She was trained at the Blackburn Union Infirmary, and has subsequently worked at the Kendal Union Infirmary.

HOME SISTER.

Townley's Military Hospital, Bolton.—Miss E. Fletcher has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the Mill Road Infirmary, Liverpool, and has been midwifery pupil and staff nurse at the Walton Infirmary, Liverpool; Ward Sister at the City of Westminster Infirmary, Hendon; Sister and Night Sister at the Maternity Hospital, Loveday Street, Birmingham; Night Superintendent, City Hospital, Walker Gate, Newcastle-on-Tyne. She is a certified midwife.

SISTER.

Leigh Joint Fever Hospital, Astley, near Manchester.—Miss Maggie Milner has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Salford Union Infirmary, and has been Sister at the Eastern Fever Hospital, Homerton; and Sister Superintendent at St. George's Home, Chelsea.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Miss Hannah H. Graveson is appointed to West Sussex, as Assistant County Superintendent; Miss Emma Clark to Nelson; Miss Helen M. MacDonald to Herts. C.N.A., as Special Measles Nurse; Miss Martha McKee to Todmorden; Miss Mary L. Storey to Handsworth and Richmond.

The Executive Committee of the Society for State Registration of Nurses will meet at 43i, Oxford Street, W., on Tuesday, July 2nd, at 4 p.m., when important business will be considered. It is hoped members will make every effort to attend.

NURSING ECHOES.

The Committee of University College Hospital have reduced the hours on duty of the nurses by one hour and forty minutes a day, so that the average for the week works out at 8 hours per day. The change of three shifts in the 24 hours is not desirable where the sick are concerned, and the hours at University College Hospital have been arranged so that each nurse has nine hours on duty daily, which are reduced on certain days.

Sir Ernest Hatch, the Chairman and Treasurer, in making the announcement, said that the additional expense would be considerable, but the relief would be great to a class of workers who well deserved it.

The Young Women's Christian Association is organizing Holiday Camps for July and August and September, and the National Secretary suggests that some nurses might like to avail themselves of the arrangements. She writes:—"We want to make it possible for girls to get a jolly holiday in ripping surroundings, country or sea, or both, at a reasonable cost in these expensive days." The more expensive Camps are mostly in private schools, with gardens, tennis courts, &c.; the cheaper ones are Council Schools, where the accommodation will be more rough and ready; the food will be the same at both Camps. Amongst the places offered are Ambleside, Bentham, Gerards Cross, Bexhill, Guildford, Bridgnorth, Bridlington, Ryde, Malvern, Clevedon, Dorking, &c. The cost per week runs from 10s. a week to 30s. The cost at the majority of Camps is £1 a week. When we realise the cost of living in these days, holidays are a question of very serious consideration for working women. Nurses requiring further information can receive it from the Secretary, Camps Department, 26, George Street, Hanover Square, London, W. 1.

Miss Ruth E. Darbyshire, Lady Superintendent of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association, and formerly Matron of St. Mary's Hospital, London, writes to the *Nursing Journal of India* that "she is sorry to see in last month's issue an extract of Miss Brodrick's address, which was given at the Conference of the National Union of Trained Nurses held in London." Miss Darbyshire does not want to enter into any controversy, but she feels that Miss Brodrick's remarks are both extravagant and unjust, and takes up the cudgels for "actresses" and "aristocrats," "who are only seeking the good of the Nursing Profes-

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