

Miss Hannah F. Barniston to Fullerton Hospital Denaby Main; Miss Ethel Daniells to Taunton; Miss Sarah B. Rowland to Taunton; Miss Wilhelmina Mathieson to Watford, as School Nurse; Miss Millicent E. Tunsley to St. Austell; Miss Edith Webster to St. Austell.

PRESENTATION.

Miss M. G. Vergette, appointed Matron of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Dover, has been presented by her colleagues at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, with whom she is exceedingly popular, with a charming Georgian silver tea-service, on which has been engraved the date of her resignation, the crest of the hospital, and her initials. We feel sure when in use it will remind her of many happy years spent with her dear friends at Barts.

RESIGNATION.

Miss E. M. Byles, who, since 1901 has been Matron of the Lambeth Infirmary, has, owing to ill-health, resigned that position. The work of hospital matrons has, since the beginning of the war, become more and more arduous and difficult. Miss Byles feels the necessity of a rest, at least for a time. She will be greatly missed at Lambeth by both nurses and patients, where she has laboured unceasingly for the benefit of both, and where she has raised the status of the Nursing School to one of the best attached to a Poor Law Infirmary.

IN MEMORIAM.

Queen Alexandra has graciously accepted a copy of the "In Memoriam" card of the death of Edith Louisa Cavell written by Miss Henrietta Hawkins, and expressed her thanks for the "beautiful lines." Nothing more exquisite has been written on the splendid death of Edith Cavell than this wonderful poem.

The Prince of Wales sent £3,000, the Queen £1,000, and Queen Alexandra £500 in support of "Our Day," October 24th, when the great Red Cross appeal was made at home and abroad.

Nurses can do good service by urging those with whom they come in contact to save all the shells of hard-shell nuts for the National Salvage Council. They are very useful in the manufacture of charcoal for gas-masks. Now is the time to begin putting them aside until there are enough to make a creditable showing for the National Salvage Council.

TRUE TALE WITH A MORAL. 1930.

Granddaughter: "What did you do in the Great War, grannie?"

Grannie: "I escaped without a decoration!"

NURSING ECHOES.

"Do tell me," said a lady whose *bottines* were irreproachable, "do hospital Sisters only get paid 13s. a week? It sounds an outrage considering all the hard work they do. I have a friend at the — Hospital, and the Matron called her over the coals for wearing shabby shoes! Fancy having to dress, pay for holidays—and supplement food—and stamps, and buses, and a whole floor full of things on 13s. a week! No wonder there is a shortage of hospital nurses!"

At a recent meeting of the West Ham Guardians a letter was received from the Ministry of Labour, stating that the Board's probationer nurses had asked for an arbitration on the question of their salaries, and that an arbitrator had been appointed for the purpose.

A question arose as to whether the Board should be represented at the inquiry, and Mr. Shreeve asked if it was proposed to go there and oppose the nurses' application. They ought not to do that, in his opinion, but they might take the opportunity of trying to get all these increases "shoved" on to national funds. They were purely a war charge.

Mr. Ward said the scrubbers at the infirmary received nearly double the wages of the nurses in charge of whole wards.

The Chairman pointed out that this was not correct when board, lodging, and other emoluments were included.

The Acting Clerk stated the normal remuneration of the scrubbers was 14s. for seven days. The new scale included a war bonus of 12s. 6d. a week, and if they added the 10s. paid in lieu of rations, it came to more than 33s. The commencing salary of staff nurses was £36, war bonus £15 a year, residence, and uniform value £5.

The Chairman said that in Committee he was in favour of nurses rising to £150. He added that he desired to see the status of nurses raised, but he did not want to let Mr. Ward's statement pass unchallenged.

It was agreed that five members of the Board should officially represent it at the arbitration.

The House Committee of Queen Mary's Hospital for the East End has raised the salaries of all grades of the nursing staff. Probationers' salaries start at £12 a year and rise to £35; ward sisters, £45 to £60; night sisters, £50 to £70; massage sister, £60 to £70; out-patients sister, £50 to £70. In

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