

## APPOINTMENTS.

## NURSE MATRON.

**Chase Farm Schools Infirmary, Enfield.**—Miss Amelia Ann Alder has been appointed Nurse-Matron. She was trained at the Westminster Infirmary, Hendon, after which she worked for two years as a Queen's Nurse, and subsequently held the positions of Sister at the Uxbridge Infirmary, Superintendent Nurse at Malling Infirmary, and at Uxbridge Infirmary, and is at present Night Superintendent at the Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill.

## SISTER.

**The Infirmary (City of Westminster), Colindale Avenue, Hendon, N. W.**—Miss Grace M. Ellis has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the same Infirmary, where she held the position of Sister till 1916, and subsequently went to the Western Fever Hospital, Fulham (M.A.B.), as Ward Sister, and has been on duty at the Hendon Infirmary since the beginning of the present year. She is a certified midwife.

Miss Annie Bradley has been appointed Sister in the same Institution, and has held the positions of Staff Nurse and Sister at the Western Fever Hospital, Fulham. She returned to the Hendon Infirmary to take up duty at the beginning of the present year.

Miss A. J. Edwards has been appointed Sister in the same institution. She was trained at the Medway Union Infirmary, and from 1912 to 1915 she was Staff Nurse and Acting Sister in the same Institution. In 1917 she was appointed Ward Sister, a position she held until January of the present year, since which time she has been on duty at the Hendon Infirmary.

**Carnarvonshire and Anglesey Infirmary, Bangor.**—Miss Elizabeth Hughes has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Monsall Fever Hospital, Manchester, and the Infirmary and Dispensary, Warrington, and has been Staff Nurse and Temporary Sister at Warrington Infirmary, and at the Welsh Metropolitan War-Hospital, Whitchurch, Cardiff.

## QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

## TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Hannah F. Hobbs is appointed to Glossop as Superintendent, Miss Annette M. Cook is appointed to Kingswood, Miss Wilhelmina Mathieson to Sawston, Miss Clara A. New to Peshurst, Miss Mary E. Newbegin to Beckenham, Miss Ethel M. Swinburne to Sunderland.

## PRESENTATION.

Superintendent Nurse Okey has been the recipient after 24 years' faithful service at the Workhouse Infirmary, Ore., of gifts from the staff and in patients. The former presented her with a gold wristlet watch, accompanied with an album containing all the names of the subscribers, and the patients, who said they felt they were losing a "good mother," offered a dressing gown and slippers. Nurse Okey thanked all for their overwhelming kindness.

## RESIGNATION.

As we reported in a former issue, Dame Ethel H. Becher, C.B.E., R.R.C., is resigning the post of Matron-in-Chief of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, which post she has held since 1910, as her term of office was extended at the outbreak of war.

During war very drastic regulations were forced upon the rank and file of the Imperial Military Services—quite Prussian in their autocracy. The constant criticism of the "Serf Clause" in this Journal has effected a modicum of justice for the Sisters and nurses, who now have the right of appeal to the Secretary of State.

## POWER OF APPEAL FOR SISTERS AND NURSES.

"Perpetual dropping wears away a stone." The following Army Council Instruction No. 676 of 1918 modifies the contract under which our Reserve Army Sisters and Nurses were alone permitted to serve the sick and wounded during the war. They now have an appeal.

ARMY COUNCIL INSTRUCTION No. 676 of 1918.  
War Office.

676. Alteration of Forms of Agreement Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve, T.F.N.S., Assistant Nurses, V.A.D. and Special Probationers.

1. It has been decided that the agreement forms of Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve, &c., shall be amended by the insertion of the following sentence at the end of the clause in the agreements dealing with the termination of service in the event of misconduct:—

"Provided that in the event of my service having been terminated for misconduct I shall have the right to appeal through the ordinary official channels to the Secretary of State."

2. A slip containing the above clause is being printed and will be distributed in due course to be attached to present stocks of the undermentioned Army Forms. The Clause affected is stated against each form.

3. Pending the issue of the slip the necessary addition to forms of agreement will be made in manuscript before they are handed to nurses, &c., to sign.

It is to be regretted that it should have been necessary for this Journal to denounce the tyrannical contract Sisters and Nurses were compelled to sign, depriving themselves of any power of appeal. With two Matrons-in-Chief at the War Office as heads of the Nursing Services, and Civil Matrons on the Nursing Boards, it was their duty to protect their colleagues from injustice and oppression at Headquarters.

## SCOTTISH BOARD, COLLEGE OF NURSING, LTD.

Miss A. C. Pike, who was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Huddersfield, and is at present Night Superintendent at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, has been appointed Secretary to the Scottish Board of the College of Nursing, Ltd., in succession to Miss Brunton, resigned.

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