

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

Miss Dorothy Webley has been appointed Nursing Sister in Q.A.M.N.S. for India.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR NURSES.**TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.**

Miss Inge Brochner is appointed to Hampshire C.N.A. as County Superintendent; Miss Mabel A. Battye, to Manchester (Ardwick); Miss Margaret Bloor, to Manchester (Salford); Miss Amy L. Pell, to Manchester (Salford); Miss Helen Grant, to Whitehaven; Miss Lucy Marshall to Enfield.

MATRON.

The London Hospital, Whitechapel, E.—Miss Monk has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, where she has held various positions during the past fifteen years. Miss Monk has been Matron's Chief Assistant for seven and a-half years, and has acted as Matron for some time past. She was also elected steward twelve months ago.

It was reported at the quarterly Court of Governors, on the 5th inst., that very careful consideration had been given to the selection of a candidate for the important position, and "it was felt the appointment should be filled by a 'Londoner.'" *Cela va sans dire!* Apparently the Officials of the London Hospital had the identical sensations a few years ago when a vacancy had to be filled at St. Bartholomew's Hospital. They knew better, however, than to outrage the feelings of their own Nursing Staff by appointing a Matron's Assistant from an outside institution, and thus depreciating the status of their own Nursing School.

Royal Victoria and W. Hants Hospital, Boscombe.—Miss Edith M. Tucker has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital and held various positions as Sister. She was also Matron's Assistant and Lecturer to students and nurses. In 1912 Miss Tucker served in the Balkan War, and was Matron of the Marasion Didas Kalion Hospital. Recently she has held the position of Matron of the Hospital for Children, Leasowe, Cheshire.

Montgomery County Infirmary.—Miss E. M. Lumley has been appointed Matron. She now holds the position of Matron at the Davenham Joint Isolation Hospital, Northwich.

NURSE MATRON.

Staines Cottage Hospital.—Miss K. de Martigney has been appointed Nurse Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, and has seen service in South Africa (Boer War); London; Canada; America; and at the Prince of Wales' Hospital for Officers, Staines.

SISTER.

Moseley Sanatorium.—Miss Maud M. Ball has been appointed Sister. She was trained at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, and has been Sister at Cuthen Sanatorium.

"THE VISION."

We have received so many expressions of appreciation of the verse headed "The Vision," by C. B. M., which appeared on the 14th September, that it has been republished in card form. Those bereaved by the loss of dear ones in battle to whom it has been sent are greatly comforted by the beauty and feeling of the lines.

The cards, price 3d., can be obtained from Manager, B.J.N. Office, 431, Oxford Street, London, W. 1.

OUR FOREIGN LETTER.**OSPEDAL DA CAMPO 79, ZONA DI GUERRA.**

War Zone it must still be called until Peace is definitely signed, but the Censor will no doubt permit the fact to be revealed that the hospital is actually situated in the beautiful town of Gorizia, for the possession of which so many lives were sacrificed.

There is something inexpressibly thrilling in living in the *only* portion of European territory actually taken by the Allies from the enemy by force of arms in all the four years of war. Though several otherwise quite intelligent French people whom I have met out here were firmly convinced that Italy only came into the war at the time of the Caporetto disaster seventeen months ago, we English have not forgotten how splendidly she fought in 1915, when her initial dash carried her across the Isonzo and left her for over a year menacing and striving to take this historic city.

In the southern gateway of the now ruined Castle-fortress, ruined chiefly on its northern side by the efforts of the Austrians to retake it, is still to be seen a marble tablet recording how, in the early days of the bombardment, a young Austrian lieutenant "found on this spot a hero's death." He at least was only doing his duty. Peace be to his ashes.

Dominating the Castle is the famous Monte Santo, where once stood an Austrian monastery. After the fall of Gorizia, in 1916, the Austrians converted it into a fortress from which they battered the devoted city with heavy guns. By superhuman exertions this fortress was taken by the Italians. Only those who have themselves climbed the steep sides of Monte Santo and *seen* the Austrian positions, tunnels, dug-outs, etc., still filled with stores of munitions, bombs, etc., can have any idea of what the taking of such a position from below must have meant; beyond it is the great Bainsizza plateau. Of the monastery itself there now scarcely remains "one stone upon another," but the whole place is strewn with relics of a mighty struggle, and of an Austrian flight.

The city itself has suffered severely. To begin with it was well defended by the Austrians, who had gun-emplacements in villa gardens, public squares, and other convenient spots, and were only driven out with difficulty and at the cost of much destruction.

During the year of Italian occupation, from the autumn of 1916 to October, 1917, there was little leisure for restoration, and another year of Austrian rule profited the city even less! In November, 1918, the Italians returned in triumph, without further fighting, and since then much, in the way of clearing away ruins, repairing walls and churches, etc., has been done. The ruined cathedral has just been re-opened for service, though daylight is still visible through many a hole in wall and roof. It is said that eighteen of the original inhabitants of the once Austrian city of

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