

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

North Eastern Hospital (Metropolitan Asylums' Board), St. Ann's Road, Tottenham, N.E.—Miss G. A. Henry has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, and has been Matron of the Middleton-in-Warfedale Sanatorium and of the Fusehill War Hospital, Carlisle.

Hostel for War Pensioners, Lynwood, Jesmond, Park West, Newcastle-on-Tyne.—Miss Edith Mackenzie has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Southwark Infirmary, East Dulwich, and has been Night Superintendent at the City Hospital, Belvidere, Glasgow; Home Sister at the City Sanatorium, Yardley Road, Birmingham. She worked in Serbia in the early days of the war, and since her return, in 1915, has been Home Sister at the City Hospital, Walker Gate, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Children's Hospital, Leasowe, and the Liverpool Babies' Hospital, Leasowe.—Miss Charlotte Hughes has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, and has held the positions of Matron of the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, and Assistant Matron of a Military Hospital on Salisbury Plain.

Gamesby Isolation Hospital, Glossop.—Mrs. Hornby has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Bucknell Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent, and amongst other positions she has been Nurse Matron at Nantyglo and Blaina Isolation Hospital, Port Sanitary Hospital, Weymouth.

SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

Pontypool Union.—Miss Emily Gale has been appointed Superintendent Nurse. She at present holds the position of Superintendent Nurse at the Leek Union.

OUT-PATIENT SISTER.

St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, Plaistow.—Miss L. Boniface has been appointed Outpatient Sister. She was trained at the Paddington Infirmary. She has been Sister at the Ambulance de l'Océan, La Panne, Belgium, and holds the Certificates of the Central Midwives Board and of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses.

SISTER.

St. Mary Islington Infirmary, Highgate Hill, N. 19.—Miss Alice Carter has been appointed Sister. She was trained at Chelsea Infirmary, where she has held the position of War Sister.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Mercy Wilmshurst is appointed to the Metropolitan N.A. as Superintendent; Miss Annie Budd, to East London (Stepney) as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Gladys Nutt, to Sunderland, as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Alice Harding, to Brighton, as Second Assistant Superintendent; Miss Caroline E. King, to Burnley, as Senior Nurse; Miss Ada B. Wallis, to Scunthorpe, as Senior Nurse; Miss Mabel I. Allan, to Burnside; Miss Emily Hicks, to Scarborough; Miss Elizabeth Jeffries, to Northants C.N.A., as Infant Welfare Lecturer; Miss Eva McIlroy, to Harefield.

LETTERS FROM VERONICA.

I.

NORDROVO CAMP.

DEAR MARGOT,—I have been here just a week and I must begin a letter to you full of first impressions, although I don't know when there will be an opportunity of sending it. There is a blissful uncertainty about letters here; sometimes they don't go out for a fortnight, and then perhaps will go twice in one week. And it has been known to happen that no letters come for a month (I shall die if that happens often), and then a large, fat budget arrives, as it did yesterday, and everybody goes about for a day or two with a seraphic smile and all their pockets bulging.

I am beginning to get used to this queer life, which is full of surprises. Until I came here I thought that camp life was an essentially out-of-door one, but on the contrary, I find that it is a particularly stuffy one, at any rate in the winter. It is so frightfully cold that the tents have to be kept tightly laced inside, and you can only crawl in by a tiny aperture about as big as the opening in Vic's kennel. When you come into the mess tent you have to close even that carefully after you or everyone screams as loudly at you as French people do if you want to open a chink of window. I must say it is piercingly cold. One heard at home so much of the heat and dust and flies and malaria, but nothing of the icy wind blowing off the snow mountains, and the raw, misty mornings when your breath turns to ice even in bed, when the fine snow drifts into a white carpet in your tent, and every drop of water is frozen in your jug. Everyone looks extraordinarily healthy and robust though, and we are well and bountifully fed on rough camp fare.

All the Unit have meals together in the mess tent. There are three tables, one for the Great Ones, such as the Matron, Médecin Chef, and other Powers; one for the Sisters, and one for ourselves, the orderlies, chauffeurs, and such small fish.

The bugle goes at 6.30 to waken us; breakfast is at 7. We sit on wooden benches and drink out of enamel mugs. All very nice and campy.

I share a tent with two others—Miss Burford (always called "Jinks") and Miss Kilpatrick. Miss Burford told me when I first came that Miss Kilpatrick considers it rather an insult to have to share a tent with two orderlies (having been in a "superior position" before she came here), and consequently we have to give her much the larger share of the tent, and she has erected a curtain round her bed to sleep in what seclusion she may. They are a funny contrast these two. "Jinks" would be a jolly girl if she were not so garrulous, but she talks incessantly from the moment her eyes are open in the morning till they reluctantly close at night, and she is always buttonholing one to retail the latest camp gossip. She is never catty and horrid about people, though, and has certainly been very kind and friendly to me.

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