

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Devonshire Hospital, Buxton.—Miss M. G. Gilkes-Robinson has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Brentford Infirmary, and has held the position of Assistant Matron at the Devonshire Hospital, Matron at the Royal Albert Hospital, Devonport; Assistant Matron of Evington War Hospital, Leicester; and Matron of a General Hospital in East Africa.

Infectious Diseases Hospital, Llantwit Fardre, nr. Pontypridd.—Miss Edith Cutter has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Huddersfield Borough Isolation Hospital, and has been Assistant Matron of the Ladywell Sanatorium, Salford; Matron of the Skipton Isolation Hospital; Matron of the Joint Isolation Hospital, Conway. She has also been on active service with the French Red Cross.

Kent County Asylum, Chartham, Canterbury.—Miss Fanny Dowson has been appointed Matron. She has held the position of Assistant Matron in the same institution.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.—Miss Margaret M. Page has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Derby, where she subsequently held various positions of responsibility. She has also been Night Superintendent at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, and has done war work in Salonika for the last two and a-half years.

NIGHT SISTER.

Jessop Hospital for Women, Sheffield.—Miss Nellie Horton has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, and has been Sister at the Birmingham Hospital for Women, and at the Maternity Hospital, and has recently done two years' military nursing. Miss Horton holds the certificate of the Central Midwives' Board.

SISTER.

Western Fever Hospital, Fulham, S.W.—Miss H. Holloway trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, and Miss Amy G. Gill, trained at St. James Infirmary, Balham, have been appointed Sisters.

Essex County Hospital, Colchester.—Miss McGowan has been appointed Sister of the Children's Surgical Ward. She was trained at the York County Hospital, and there she was Sister. Miss McGowan has also been Sister during the war in Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Her Majesty Queen Alexandra has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of the following to be Queen's Nurses, to date April 1st, 1919:—

Berryman, Dinah; Evans, Susie M. E.; Chalkley, Mercy; Power, Sarah; Deakin, Mabel E.; Lawrenson, Evelyn; Molyneux, Mabel E.; Yarde, Lucy; Edwards, Catherine H.; Finney, Emma M.; Glover, Leah E.; Brennan, Winifred; Corrigan, Rose E.; McEwen, Elizabeth; Allfree, Beatrice; Davison, Catherine; Hall-Houghton, Alicia M.

Wales.—Jones, Annie M.; Williams, Mary.

Scotland.—Fyfe, Ethel E.; McLean, Mary H.; Bullock, Grace R.; Cheyne, Gladys M.; Hall, Mary L. W.

Ireland.—Conboy, Honor; Farrell, Lucy; McKelvey, Mary K.

I Can and I Will are cousins dear,
Who never trust to luck—
I Can, the child of Energy;
I Will, the child of Pluck.

NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

The annual meetings of the Nurses' Missionary League, held on May 7th in the Vestry Hall of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields formed a happy re-union for many members who had become friends at camps and other gatherings, while other nurses came to this as their first introduction to the League. The room was brightened by beautiful flowers—a gift from a nurse in the country—and by three telling diagrams showing the progress of missionary work and the need for it. Welcome cups of tea at all three sessions added to the social side of the gatherings, and in the afternoon, Mrs. Cameron contributed three beautiful songs—"Firmly I Believe and Truly," "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory of the Coming of the Lord," and "Gracious, Holy Saviour."

The subject for the day was "The Greatness of Our Adventure"; in the opening address on "God's Idea of Greatness," Mrs. A. L. Sturge showed how, in the sight of God, it is not size or numbers that matter, but spirit and life. The common remark that "so-and-so has a soul above details" could never have been made of Jesus Christ, Who always gave attention to details to the small courtesies of life.

The next speaker, Miss A. C. Gibson, urged the necessity for a strong sense of vocation to pervade every nurse. "A grave responsibility," she said lies upon us as nurses because others expect so high a standard from us. We have inherited a great tradition and we are sometimes apt to rely upon the credit of those who have gone before, but it is "up to" us to carry on the tradition. Miss I. M. Hett (Secretary of the Ranyard Mission) spoke on the openings for service which lie before the district nurse, especially in her relation with the mothers and her place in the national schemes for improved health, hygiene and sanitation. The morning closed with an inspiring address from the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, who spoke of two possible alternatives for the future of the world—chaos or Christ—and emphasised the need for the reunion of the Christian churches and for Christians to bring religion more and more into everyday life, to have the pluck not to bow down to the ideals prevalent in the world, and to have a boundless sympathy for the outcast and the oppressed.

The work of the missionary nurse was vividly described by Dr. Jocelyn Smyly, and the Rev. L. J. Lock, R.A.M.C., who both spoke of their experiences in China. The former spoke of the contrast between the days when there was no trained nurse at his hospital, and the present when the nursing sister has trained a band of efficient Chinese men nurses. "A doctor without a nurse is a man with one hand," was Dr. Smyly's description; and he urged as the essential qualifications for a missionary nurse "get-on-ableness" and the fullest training possible. Dr. Lock emphasised the tremendous need, the openings on every side, the great results, physical and

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