

TRUE TALES WITH A MORAL.

HIGHER EDUCATION.

New Red Cross Nurse to Potentate: "Where do we get cheap uniform hats?"

Potentate: "'Ow about the 'at on your 'ead? It seems a very good 'at."

R.C. Nurse: "Yes, it cost three guineas; it is too good for every day."

Potentate: "Apply to Miss —, she will give you a 'elping 'and. 'Ave you joined the College of Nursing?"

R.C. Nurse: "No. I——"

Potentate: "Surely you believe in the 'igher education of nurses?"

R.C. Nurse: "Rather." (Exit.)

A CONUNDRUM.

Doctor to Out-Patient: "Well what can I do for you?"

Patient: "Well sir, I 'ave this nasty rash all over my face, I want to arst you what's the cause of it. I'm subject to an operated stomach. Do you think as that is anything to do with it?"

VERY SEPTIC.

Customer to Curio Dealer: "Are you quite sure this is 'genuine old'?"

Dealer: "I have already assured you that it is, madam; but like many ladies, you seem very septic."

ON THE SEA SHORE.

He came along the sands after the high tide, a queer old figure with a sack slung over his shoulder. It had been a rough night and the shore was covered with foam and pieces of spar lay on it that had been washed up by the sea. But it is an ill-wind that blows nobody good, and the old fisherman added to his precarious livelihood by hunting for salvage on the shore and selling any curios he found to the visitors. "Would yer like to see this, mum?" he said, producing a glass float that had been washed off the net of a submarine.

Of course we should, and we should also like to give him a shilling for it.

This transaction evidently gave satisfaction to this old son of St. Peter.

He had picked up many such during the war, and had found a ready market for them.

"Did he often find anything of value?"

His face grew cautious, but a satisfied smile stole over it all the same.

"I picked up a barrel of margarine a while back," he said, in a hoarse whisper, bending down so that his old face was on a level with our deck chairs.

"I sold it to the neighbours round about—but yer won't spout on me, will yer?" he said, suddenly apprehensive.

"On no account," we assured him.

As he trotted up the beach we smiled, and the smile gradually expanded into a grin.

Fancy spouting on him!

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Blair Convalescent Hospital, Bolton.—Miss Winifred Hope has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, where she has held the position of Sister and Night Superintendent. She has also held positions of responsibility in Military Hospitals at home, and in Mesopotamia.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

City of Westminster Union Infirmary, Colindale Avenue, Hendon, N.W.—Miss M. A. Rogers has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Birmingham Infirmary, where she subsequently held the positions of Staff Nurse and Ward Sister. She also worked at the Acland Home, Oxford, and for the last four years has been first Sister and then Assistant Matron at the Norfolk War Hospital. She is a certified midwife.

Kent County Asylum, Chartham, near Canterbury.—Miss Ruby Florence Watson has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital; and in addition was for three years at Mount Vernon Hospital, where she afterwards held the position of Sister. She was also Sister at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, and Night Superintendent and Assistant Matron at Norfolk General War Hospital.

NIGHT SISTER.

Normanhurst Hospital for Discharged Soldiers, West Hartlepool.—Miss S. Teasdale has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and, as a member of the Territorial Force Nursing Service, has worked at the First Northern General Hospital, and in Mesopotamia.

SISTER.

Clare Hall Sanatorium, South Mimms, Middlesex.—Miss Jessie H. Bailey has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Kensington Infirmary and has been Charge Nurse at the Municipal Sanatorium, Southampton, and Sister at the Fulham Military Hospital, Hammersmith.

SENIOR CHARGE NURSE.

Basford Infirmary, Bullwell, Nottingham.—Miss Cicely Williamson has been appointed Senior Charge Nurse. She was trained at the Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport, and has been Charge Nurse at Basford Infirmary, and has also had experience of private nursing. She is also a certified midwife.

EXAMINATIONS AND MEDALS

At a recent meeting of the Tynemouth Union Board of Guardians, Dr. Parker, who examined the probationary nurses, reported that the following had been placed in order of merit for the award of medals:—"Frater" Gold Medal, Probationer Nurse Raine; "Murray" Medal, Probationer Nurse Cowell; "Pearson" Medal, Probationer Nurse Burton. Probationer Nurses Hutchinson, Morton, Robinson, Tarron, and Wild had also successfully passed the examination.

The "Save the Children" Fund (339, High Holborn, London, W.C. 1), has just received a donation of £6,000.

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