

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Cottage Hospital, Maidenhead.—Miss Mabel Ensor has been appointed Matron. She was trained in the Nightingale School of St. Thomas' Hospital, where she has also held the position of Sister, and of Sister-in-Charge of an Officers' Ward at No. 5 London General Hospital, T.F.N.S. She has seen foreign service as Matron in charge of a Unit in East Africa, and been mentioned in despatches and been awarded the Royal Red Cross (First Class).

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Kingston Union Infirmary, Kingston-on-Thames.—Miss Esther Julia Hewes has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Thomas' Hospital, S.E., and at the Simpson Memorial Royal Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh, in Maternity Nursing; and is a certified midwife. She has done welfare work in the factory of Messrs. Chivers & Sons, at Histon; and has been Theatre Sister at the Dreadnought Hospital, Greenwich.

SISTER.

Lowestoft and North Suffolk Hospital, Lowestoft.—Miss E. Raven has been appointed Theatre and Ward Sister. She was trained at the Royal Hospital, Sheffield, and held the position of Sister in the same institution. She has served overseas as a member of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, and been Sister at a Surgical Home in Ipswich, and at the General Hospital, Birmingham. Miss C. Alhurn has also been appointed Sister. She was trained at King's College Hospital, London, and has held the positions of Night Sister and Sister at the Evelina Hospital for Sick Children, London, S.E.

NIGHT SISTER.

Lowestoft and North Suffolk Hospital, Lowestoft.—Miss I. M. E. Parkerson has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Halifax, and has served overseas as a member of the Territorial Force Nursing Service.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

Hackney Union Infirmary, Homerton, E. 9.—Miss Edith Janetta Anderson has been appointed Night Superintendent Nurse. She was trained at the Bagthorpe Infirmary, Nottingham, where she subsequently held the position of Ward Sister; and since 1918 has been Health Visitor and Inspector of Midwives under the Medical Officer of Health, St. Helen's. She is a certified midwife.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Borough of Plymouth.—Miss Madeline Murray has been appointed Health Visitor. She has held a similar position under the City of Westminster at Norwood, and been School Nurse at Exeter.

A meeting to be addressed by members of the Royal British Nurses' Association, and the College of Nursing, Ltd., respectively will be held in the Board Room, at the London Temperance Hospital, at 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 5th.

All members of the nursing profession and any ladies or gentlemen interested are cordially invited to be present.

The hospital is situated in the Hampstead Road, 5 minutes' walk from the Warren Street Tube, or Euston Square, on the Underground.

Buses from Charing Cross and Victoria pass the door.

OUTSIDE THE GATES.

MEDALS FOR MOTHERS IN FRANCE.

A decree establishes, under the name of the *Medaille de la Famille Française*, a distinction to be paid to the mothers of French families who have reared a number of children and thus become entitled to recognition by the nation.

The medal will be issued in three classes. The first is in bronze, for mothers of five living legitimate children, the youngest to be at least a year old. For eight children the medal will be silver, and for 10 in silver-gilt, bearing the name of the Gold Medal. The Minister of Public Health has signed a decree conferring the medal. Holders are authorised to wear the medal or medal-ribbon on all occasions.

VERSE.

TIME AND TIDE.

BY ISABEL ECCLESTONE MACKAY.

To the long sand and shining bay,
To the far headland, lone and grey,
By beach and creek and long-worn track
The eager tides come flooding back—
Only the tide of man's endeavour
Slips to the sea, returning never.

What swinging star its course directs,
What Might its certain way protects,
Or if it rests by some dim shore
Man knows not, only, evermore
He hears the whisper of its going
Call in the silence—outward flowing!

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COMING EVENTS.

June 4th.—Society for State Registration of Trained Nurses. Annual Meeting. 431, Oxford Street, London, W. 4.30 p.m.

June 5th.—Royal British Nurses' Association. "Grind" on "The Procedure of Conducting Business Meetings." Mrs. Bedford Fenwick. 3 p.m.

June 17th.—Central Midwives' Board. Monthly meeting.

June 19th.—Poor Law Infirmary Matrons' Association. Eustace Miles Restaurant. 5.30 p.m.

June 19th.—Royal British Nurses' Association. Address on "The Need for Nurses Engaged in Private Visiting Practice, and in District Nursing, to consider the Municipal Organization of Home Nursing," followed by discussion. Speaker, Miss H. G. Klaassen. 10 Orchard Street, Portman Square, W.1. 3 p.m.

June 21st.—Royal British Nurses' Association. Annual Meeting. 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square. 3 p.m.

June 21st-25th.—General Lying-in Hospital, Ycrk Road, Lambeth, S.E.1. Post Graduate Week for Midwives.

June 22nd to 25th.—Tenth Annual Nursing and Midwifery Exhibition and Conference, Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster. Noon to 9 p.m.

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