

What Florence Nightingale did in England, and Edith Cavell did in Belgium, missionary nurses are doing to-day in China. It is a magnificent work to have a share in forming lives and characters and to permeate the Nursing Profession of China with Christian ideals. There is, however, a terrible dearth of workers. In a recent investigation it was shown that out of 192 Mission Hospitals, only 93 had any trained foreign nurse on their staff; 94 had between them 253 Chinese graduate nurses; 50 each possessed only one trained nurse, foreign or Chinese; 66 had no nurse at all. There is no such scope anywhere."

In the concluding address J. Howard Cook, Esq., F.R.C.S., of Uganda, spoke of the call to the Nursing Profession. There was first the call of suffering from every part of the mission field, *e.g.*, the sufferings of the children-weavers in Persia, of the lepers in China, of the thousands in Africa, where, in some parts, the infant mortality is as high as 70 per cent. There was also the tremendous call of shortage of workers. Many a Mission Hospital was under-staffed to breaking point; in Africa alone four under one society were actually closed for lack of workers, and this same Society alone could at once locate seventeen nurses. The following statistics pointed the contrast (taken from the most recent returns, for 1914):—

	Beds.	Medical Staff.	Trained Nurses.
St. Mary's Hospital	277	54	142
Westminster Hospital	214	40	81
Mengo Hospital, Uganda	350	4	6

There was also the call of opportunity, for a missionary nurse had wonderful power; and the call to sacrifice; and above all the missionary nurse must hear the call of the Still Small Voice of Christ. In concluding Dr. Cook spoke to the sailing members. The Latin word of farewell, *vale*, meant "Be strong," the Greek, *hairē*, meant "Be happy," the Hebrew "*Shalom*" meant "Be at peace," but the old English "Good-bye" meant "God be with you," and summed up all the others, for only those with whom God dwells can be truly strong or happy or at peace.

### PRESENTATION.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the Staffordshire County Mental Hospital, Cheddleton, on Tuesday, September 28th, when members and the staff met to bid farewell to Sister K. Gilleran, who was leaving after twelve years' service to take up her duties as Assistant Matron at the Springfield Mental Hospital, Wandsworth Common.

During the evening she was presented with a gold wristlet watch as a token of good will from the staff. The patients also presented Miss Gilleran with a handsome rose bowl.

These beautiful gifts will be much treasured we have no doubt.

### APPOINTMENTS.

#### MATRON.

**Bishop Auckland Maternity Hospital.**—Miss Anne Gilmour Gay has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Glasgow and Dublin, and has recently been Matron's Assistant at Queen Mary's Maternity Home, Hampstead.

**Carnarvon Cottage Hospital.**—Miss Margaret Williams has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Liverpool Royal Infirmary, and at the Eye and Ear Infirmary, Liverpool. She has also served on the staff at the Merchants' Hospital in France during the war.

**Graymount Tuberculosis Hospital for Children.**—Miss Violet Jolly has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, and in Housekeeping at Lord Mayor Treloar's Hospital, Alton. During the war she was Staff Nurse in Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.

**Infectious Diseases Hospital, Barry.**—Miss S. E. Ascott has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Park Fever Hospital, Lewisham, in the care of infectious diseases, and at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, in general nursing. She has held the following positions:—Home Sister and Assistant Matron, County Sanatorium, Hawkmoor, Sister Northern Sanatorium, Winchmore, and War Service, T.F.N.S. Staff Nurse, 4th London General Hospital and 42nd General Hospital, Salonica.

**Severalls Mental Hospital, Colchester.**—Miss Elizabeth M. Cuthbert has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Southport, and has been Matron and Housekeeper at Ryhope Mental Hospital, Sunderland, Assistant Matron at the Edinburgh Royal Asylum, and Night Superintendent at Montrose Royal Asylum.

#### SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

**Sanatorium School for Convalescents, Bromsgrove.**—Miss Marion Kennedy has been appointed Sister-in-Charge. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Oldham, where she was Sister, and held the same position at the Royal Liverpool Country Hospital, Heswall, Cheshire.

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#### TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Amy K. Baughurst is appointed to Three Towns, as Superintendent; Miss Caroline A. Lee, to Derbyshire C.N.A., as County Superintendent; Miss Jane A. Macleod, to Staffordshire C.N.A., as County Superintendent; Miss Louisa K. Twidell, to Dorsetshire C.N.A., as Assistant County Superintendent; Miss Emma G. Williams, to Devonshire C.N.A., as Assistant County Superintendent; Miss Elizabeth Wyatt, to East Sussex C.N.F., as Assistant County Superintendent; Miss Sarah E. Bailey, to Brigg; Miss Martha B. Edwards, to Bitteswell; Miss Carrie Gledhill, to Manchester (Bradford); Miss Jane R. Hunter, to Bolton; Miss Florence R. Keeble, to Clevedon; Miss Evelyn Lawrenson, to Blackburn; Miss Theresa O. Leonard, to Edenbridge; Miss Alice J. MacLachlan, to South Ward, Tanfield; Miss Kate O. Miers, to Sevenoaks; Miss Helen Strudwick, to Stamford; Miss Millicent Tansley, to Cleator; Miss Lily M. Tatton, to Bacup; Miss Edith Webster, to Cleator; Miss Ivy F. Weir, to Cleator (Hensingham); Miss Catherine M. Wilcox, to Old Hill.

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