

SISTER.

Infirmery and Dispensary, Bolton.—Miss Lucy Lees has been appointed Sister. She was trained in the same institution and at the Cottage Hospital, Ramsbottom, and has been Sister at Blair Hospital, Bromley Cross.

SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

Municipal Hospital, Warrington.—Miss Beatrice Evans has been appointed Sister-in-Charge. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, and has been Sister at the City Hospital, Coventry, Night Sister at the Guest Hospital, Dudley, the Cumberland Infirmary, and the Willesden Municipal Hospital. She has also done Military Nursing.

TERRITORIAL FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

The following appointment and resignations are notified in the Supplement to the *London Gazette* of April 4th:—

Miss K. Scott, R.R.C., to be Principal Matron, Second Eastern General Hospital (March 10th).

Miss L. O. Carter, Matron, resigns her appointment (January 1st).

Miss F. H. Warter, Matron, resigns her appointment (February 17th).

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

At the annual meeting of the West London Hospital it was stated that Mr. Dan Mason had contributed £22,000 towards the rebuilding of the out-patient department.

The Infants' Hospital, Vincent Square, Westminster, S.W. 1, which has done pioneer work in placing the management of infants and the treatment of the disorders and diseases of nutrition upon a scientific basis, is in the happy position of recording that the indebtedness of the hospital has been reduced by the sum of £1,124 14s. 10d., this being the excess of income over expenditure for the year 1920, a position due to three items of extraordinary income, totalling £3,150. The ordinary income is now altogether inadequate to the necessary expenses of maintenance, and the Committee earnestly hope that some means may be found of supplementing it. The laundry accounts at this hospital are always of interest. It is really amazing to read, in these days of high prices, that 308,233 articles were washed at the cost of £177 os. 3d., or 11s. 6d. per thousand. About four-fifths were washed on the hospital premises.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Birmingham General Hospital, the Bishop of Birmingham pointed out that it was a pity that the public generally and some of the well-to-do particularly, were so slow to realise their responsibilities in regard to the hospitals. Hearts still required a great deal of warming. He appealed to the public to come to the hospital's rescue. Mr. T. Ratcliff, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, estimated the present year's deficiency at £25,000. "That is to say," he said, "we are running to ruin at the rate of about £500 per week." The Bishop of Birmingham was re-elected president.

A NEW NURSING SERVICE.

The establishment of "Queen Alexandra's Military Families Nursing Service" is officially announced. This service, which will take over the permanent nursing establishment of the Military Families and Military Isolation Hospitals, will consist of matrons, sisters-in-charge, and staff nurses; and appointments will be given to persons qualified under regulations approved by the Army Council. The rates of pay will be the same as those laid down for the corresponding ranks in Queen Alexandra's Imperial Nursing Service. Sisters-in-charge will receive, in addition charge pay at the rate of £20 per annum (for up to thirty beds), and £30 per annum (for over thirty beds). The conditions of retirement and rates of pension will be as laid down for the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service. An outdoor uniform is under consideration. For new members the rates of uniform allowance will be £20 for the first year of service, £5 for second year, and £10 for third and subsequent years. For serving members the rates will be respectively £15, £8, and £10, calculated from the date on which the next issue of uniform allowance becomes due.

The Military Families Service is under the direction of the Matron-in-Chief, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service. The existing nursing establishment of the Military Families Hospitals will be transferred to the new service as follows:—

| Old Rank. | Rank in Q.A.M.F.N.S. | Corresponding Rank in Q.A.I.M.N.S. |
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| Matrons at Aldershot.. | Matron .. | Matron |
| Matron at other .. | Sister-in- .. | Sister |
| Stations .. | Charge .. | |
| Charge Nurse | Staff Nurse | Staff Nurse |

Some vacancies still exist in this Service, and we commend the fact to trained nurses, as an unusual opportunity of considerable importance.

CANADIAN NURSES AND LADY MARTIN HARVEY.

A responsible colleague writes from Calgary:—
"I have already posted cuttings *re* Lady Harvey's Appeal for Nation's Fund for Nurses. The Calgary Association of Nurses are very indignant at her remarks, and that she should collect funds in the name of the Nation's Nurses, and have strongly protested against her appeal. Our President, Miss E. P. McKinney, who is a splendid woman and Canadian graduate, together with the Vice-Presidents of the Association, are receiving the praise and support they deserve for

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