

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRONS.

Canterbury Mental Hospital, Canterbury.—Miss F. W. Sullivan has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the West London Hospital and the West Sussex County Mental Hospital, and has held the positions of Night Superintendent at the Borough Sanatorium, Brighton; Assistant Matron at the Gralingwell Mental Hospital; and Assistant Matron at the County Sanatorium, Lenham, Kent.

King Edward VII Welsh National Memorial Association, Craig-y-nos Hospital, Breconshire.—Miss C. Forsdike has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Brompton Hospital for Consumption, and at the St. Marylebone Infirmary, and has been Matron of the Cimla Hospital, Neath, and of the Glen Ely Medical and Surgical Tuberculosis Hospital, Fairwater, Cardiff, under the King Edward VII Memorial Association.

SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.

Coventry Union, Coventry.—Miss E. Howard has been appointed Superintendent Nurse. She was trained at the Prescot Infirmary and has been Night Superintendent under the Oldham Board of Guardians, Home Sister at the Rochdale Infirmary, Head Nurse at the Lichfield Infirmary, and Superintendent Nurse at the Wellington Infirmary.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.

Union Infirmary, Wakefield.—Miss Olive Simpson has been appointed Assistant Superintendent. She was trained at the Union Infirmary, Tynemouth, and has been Health Visitor and Maternity Nurse at West Hartlepool, Health Visitor and Laboratory Nurse at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and has also done Military Nursing.

HOME SISTER.

General Hospital, Nottingham.—Miss Alice Law has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the General Hospital, Wolverhampton, and has been Sister of the Pensioners Ward at the Nottingham General Hospital. She has also done Military Nursing.

THEATRE SISTER.

All Saints Hospital, Finchley Road, N.—Miss Noel has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Middlesex Hospital, and has been Theatre Sister at Bolingbroke Hospital, Wandsworth Common.

WARD SISTER.

Royal Hospital, Sheffield.—Miss Gertrude Gregory has been appointed Sister of the Ophthalmic Wards. She was trained at the Jaffray Hospital, near Birmingham, and the Royal Hospital, Sheffield, and has been Staff Nurse at Lodge Moor Fever Hospital in the same city.

THE PASSING BELL.

The funeral of Lady Maud Keith Falconer, youngest daughter of the late Earl of Kintore, took place on Monday, at Coolhurst, Horsham, Sussex.

THE GREEK OFFENSIVE.

We hear from Sister Catherine Evans that she and Sister Oakley Williams are busy at Smyrna helping to get a hospital ready for the results of the Greek offensive which is imminent. From Athens the Sisters send news that they are busy, and cards dropped by the way are evidence that Sisters Baxter and Browne are "all well so far."

THE MOTHERCRAFT TRAINING SOCIETY.

THE "BUXTON" SCHOLARSHIPS.

Two "Noel Buxton" Scholarships of £35 each, entitling successful candidates to six months' free training at the Mothercraft Training Society, 29, Trebovir Road, Earl's Court, S.W. 5, were recently offered to two highly-qualified nurses who are also certified midwives, to enable them to study the Truby King methods, as notified in this journal. The Scholarships have now been awarded, the recipients being:

Miss Tacon.—General Training at Charing Cross Hospital; Maternity Training, York Road Lying-in Hospital; Sister at Chelmsford Hospital; Night Sister, Chester Royal Hospital; Sister at Derby; Theatre Sister, Charing Cross Hospital; and Assistant Matron, Alexandra Hospital for Children.

Miss Ormerod.—General Training at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge; Maternity Training, Brighton Hospital; Ward Sister and Night Sister at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.

We congratulate the recipients on the opportunity which will be theirs, especially of studying the methods of breast-feeding, so successfully advocated and taught by Dr. Truby King, and we congratulate the donors of the Scholarships on conferring them on highly-trained nurses who are best fitted to profit by the special instruction offered, and who have proved by the training they have already undergone their conscientious desire to qualify themselves thoroughly for their responsible duties.

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

Sir Alfred Mond, Minister of Health, announced in the House of Commons that the Government had decided, in view of the serious state of voluntary hospitals, to ask the House to vote a Supplementary Estimate of £500,000 in aid of deficits during the present year.

This money will be under the control of a Commission and Committees, as recommended by the Cave Committee, and immediate steps are being taken to appoint the Commission.

The Cave Committee recommended the grant of a million, but in view of the serious financial position of the country the Government cannot give effect to the full recommendation. The hospitals are consequently disappointed, but the half-ruined middle class tax-payer is grateful for small mercies—as of course, as usual, the grant comes mostly out of his pocket.

Mr. McGirr, the New South Wales Minister for Health, announced at Sydney that the Government proposed to divide New South Wales into 160 hospital districts and to introduce legislation imposing on employers and employees the obligation of contributing regularly an equal amount to the upkeep of the institutions.

The Government would undertake to pay a sum equal to the combined contributions.

Mr. McGirr claims that this proposal will place hospitals on a business basis.

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