M. Clemenceau said on his visit to Coucy-le-Chateau in May, 1919:—

"'It will be many years before these ruins can be replaced by upstanding villages and smiling fields. . . . It would require a miracle. And at my age one does not believe in miracles.'

"But the magic was there—in the tenacious, stubborn, courageous spirit of the peasant, who had already made every sacrifice to win the war, and was ready to make further sacrifices for the future of the race. French individualism and love of the soil were to blaze the trail along which a former civilization of immense beauty will one day find its old home."

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.— We are officially informed that Miss Forster-Feather, who accepted the appointment of Matron to Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, has withdrawn her acceptance, and at a Special Meeting of the Hospital Committee held on August 1st Miss A. C. Bell was unanimously appointed Matron in succession to Miss Crookenden, resigned.

Miss Bell was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, 1910–1914. On the completion of her training she was appointed Ward Sister at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, and afterwards was Night Sister and Home Sister at the same Institution. In April, 1918, she was appointed Assistant Matron at the General Hospital, Nottingham, and from there she went to the Herefordshire General Hospital as Matron in April, 1920, which appointment she is now resigning to take the Matronship of Addenbrooke's.

Milton Infirmary, Portsmouth.—Miss B. Gebhard has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Firvale Hospital, Sheffield, and has been staff nurse at the West Ham Infirmary, Leytonstone, Sister at Ecclesall Infirmary, Sheffield, Night Superintendent at Anlaby Road Infirmary, Hull, Home Sister and Assistant Matron of the Township Infirmary, Leeds, and Lady Superintendent of Holgate Hospital, Middlesbrough.

District War Memorial Cottage Hospital, Alford. — Miss Margaret Hooner has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Birkenhead Infirmary and has been District Nurse at Clitheroe, and did war nursing in France as a member of the Territorial Force Nursing

Dispensary and Cottage Hospital, Kelso.—Miss N. D. Robertson, A.R.R.C., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Stobhill Hospital, Glasgow, and has been Nurse at the Nordrach-on-Dee Sanatorium, Banchory, Charge Nurse at Johnstone District Hospital, Renfrewshire, and has had experience of Military nursing in connection with Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, and the Ministry of Pensions Service. She has also had experience of private nursing.

SUPERINTENDENT SISTER TUTOR.

Hope Hospital, Pendleton, Manchester.—Miss Phyllis Robson has been appointed Sister-Tutor and Masseuse. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Stockport, and has been Sister and Acting Assistant Matron at the Devonshire Hospital, Buxton, and Massage and Out-patient Sister, Night Sister, and Acting Assistant Matron at the General Infirmary, Stockport. Miss Robson is a certificated Masseuse.

Royal Infirmary, Gloucester, and Cheltenham Hospital.—Miss E. Cockayne has been appointed Sister-Tutor. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Sheffield, where she subsequently held the position of Ward Sister, and Night Sister. She was trained in Midwifery at the Maternity Hospital, Birmingham, and in infectious nursing at the Borough Hospital, Plymouth.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE,

Staff Nurse Miss M. L. Singer resigns her appointment.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

The following Senior Nursing Sister has been permitted to retire from the Service, with effect from the date specified:—Miss M. E. T. Hornsby, A.R.R.C. (February 27th).

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE. TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Elizabeth A. Muntaster is appointed to Manchester (Salford) as Superintendent; Miss Emily A. Stacey to Leicestershire C.N.A., as Assist. Superintendent; Miss Kate Hartland, to Rushden; Miss Margaret E. Knight, to Bridgwater; Miss Lily M. Tatton, to Rushden; Miss Mary Todd, to Leeds (Central).

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

NURSE INSPECTORS.

Sir George Newman, K.C.B., M.D., D.C.L., F.R.C.P., in his Annual Report for 1920, notifies that the following ladies hold the position of Nurse Inspectors in the Maternity and Child Welfare Section of his Department: Misses Maud S. Brandreth; Ethel M. Burnside, O.B.E.; Emily G. Colles; Theodora Montagnon; Jessie F. O'Brien; Mary A. Quinlan.

WEDDING BELLS.

The marriage took place on Tuesday last, at St. Saviour's Church, Warwick Avenue, Paddington, of Miss Louisa Annie Cowley, until recently a member of the staff of the Registered Nurses' Society, 431, Oxford Street, London, and Mr. G. H. G. Alexander, B.A., Head Master of St. Anselm's School, Park Lane, Croydon. The bride was trained at the Central London Sick Asylum, Hendon, under Miss Elma Smith, and at the Brook Hospital (M.A.B.), Shooters' Hill. Many friends will combine to wish her and her husband much happiness in the future.

THE PASSING BELL.

TRUSCOTT.—On August 3rd, at Oakleigh, East Grinstead, after a long and painful illness, borne with great courage, Jessie Guthrie, dearly-loved wife and constant helpmate of Alderman Sir George Wyatt Truscott, Bart., aged 67.

Nurses will read this announcement with profound regret. They will ever remember with gratitude that Lady Truscott, when asked in 1909 to help in the formation of the Territorial Force Nursing Service, threw herself whole-heartedly into the promotion of the scheme, and gathered together at the Mansion House an influential committee to help her to carry it out for the City and County of London. Nor will they soon forget her generous hospitality to Territorial Nurses, then a new service with its laurels still to win. Lady Truscott became a Vice-President of the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, and was inspired by faith in the eventual success of its work, a faith happily justified.

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