

up-to-date school, and we hope that the Board has accepted the general lines of the Syllabus recommended by the General Nursing Council, and that in the future the probationers will be prepared for the State Examination, and thus obtain admission to the State Register. In the meantime we hope the trained members of the Nursing Staff will avail themselves of Registration through the provisions of the Nurses' Registration Act.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

County and Borough Infirmary, Brecknock.—Miss Jean Richardson has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and has held the position of Theatre Sister at St. Mark's Hospital, City Road, E.C., and at the County Hospital, Bedford, of Night Superintendent at the Princess Alice Hospital, Eastbourne, and of Assistant Matron at a Leeds Hospital.

War Memorial Cottage Hospital, Waltham Abbey.—Miss Minnie S. Carey has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E., where she subsequently held the position of Night Sister, Assistant Home Sister, and Ward Sister. She is a certificated masseuse, having obtained her training at the West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases, where she held the position of Sister. She also did Military Nursing in France during the war.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

New End Hospital, Hampstead.—Miss Mary Harvey has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Lambeth Infirmary, where she subsequently held the position of Ward Sister and Night Superintendent. She has done War Nursing as a member of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.

West Derby Union Infirmary, Liverpool.—Miss Gertrude Riding has been appointed Assistant Matron. She received her training in the same institution.

SISTER.

Hospital de San Juan de Dios, Valparaiso, Chile.—Miss Frances and Miss Caroline A. Maguire, "Registered Nurses," G.N.C., have been appointed Sisters. Miss Frances Maguire was trained at the Richmond Hospital, Dublin, and had further experience at the Infirmary, Letterkenny, co. Dublin, after which she worked in Dublin for two years as a Queen's Nurse. She then came to London, and had experience of the nursing of private patients in a Nursing Home and elsewhere. During the Great War she had experience of military nursing at an Officers' Hospital in Brighton, and at a Red Cross Station at Chilwell, Notts. Since 1917 she has been a member of the Staff of the Registered Nurses' Society, 431, Oxford Street, London.

Miss Caroline A. Maguire was trained at the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E., and also worked at the same Officers' Hospital, Brighton, as her sister, and at the Red Cross Station, Chilwell, Notts. Since 1917 she has been a member of the Staff of the Registered Nurses' Society.

PLEASE NOTICE.

The Editor will be obliged if, when sending in for publication notices of appointments, Nurses will state if they are "Registered Nurses," as this title now carries with it legal professional status.

FAREWELL TO MISS EUPHEMIA ROSS.

MATRON, WESTERN FEVER HOSPITAL, S.W.

An interesting ceremony took place at the Western Hospital, Fulham, on November 30th, on the occasion of the retirement of the Matron, Miss Ross, who has held the appointment for 32 years. She was the recipient of many tokens of regard from the Staff of the Hospital, including a silver inkstand and handbag from the Medical Staff, and from the Nursing, Domestic, and Male Staffs; a handsome oak bookcase and teak garden seat, these latter being chosen by Miss Ross herself.

The presentation was made by the Medical Superintendent, Dr. Bruce, who gave an interesting account of the Matron's services at the hospital, recalling the various changes and improvements which have taken place during her term of office.

Dr. Bruce referred to the wonderful activity displayed by Miss Ross as Matron for thirty-two years and told of the first years at the hospital, recalling the time when only one-storied wards existed and only one room for all the female staff, nurses and maids, which did duty for dining-room and sitting-room. He caused much amusement by saying that the first dance was held in the laundry, which, although cleverly "camouflaged," presented more an appearance of a room prepared for an obstacle race than a dance. Dr. Bruce went on to tell of the great interest Miss Ross had always taken in the welfare of the nurses and how even up to last year she had played tennis, and had always displayed sympathy with all recreations. He also told what an interest Miss Ross had always shown and how she had helped the cause of State Registration of Nurses as a member of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Royal British Nurses' Association. He finished by saying that it was well known that Miss Ross had never failed in being a friend to any nurse or member of the domestic staff who went to her in trouble.

Miss Ross, who was looking very charming, thanked the staff by saying she loved books and would put hers in the case, and everyone knew how she enjoyed the sunshine so she would sit in the garden of her house on the pretty garden seat. Miss Ross said she would not say "good-bye," as she was not going to live very far away and would be pleased to receive visits from any of the staff. She was coming up to visit the Western Hospital, but would come on the day the nurses played the finals for the Tennis Cup.

Great fun was caused by a huge black cat who walked straight across the room, everyone saying, "Black cat for luck."

A beautiful gold wristlet watch was then shown to the staff—a gift from her fellow-Matrons of the M.A.B. Service, who had entertained her at dinner.

Coffee and cakes were then handed round and a dance followed, everyone wishing Miss Ross health and happiness in the future to enjoy her welcome rest, and expressing their sense of loss at her departure.

The Editor would like to express her admiration for the character of Miss Ross. They have worked together on many Committees for the advancement of professional ideals for upwards of thirty years, and during all that time in the utmost sympathy and harmony. Would that there were more women in the world possessing the courage, clear vision and loyalty of Euphemia Ross. It would be a happier place.

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