

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

The Prince of Wales' stay in Madras was commemorated by the foundation of a Children's Hospital on the sea front, the foundation-stone of which was laid by the Prince during the visit. The visit of His Royal Highness to India has been a great success—the serious interest he has evinced in the history and customs of that great Empire, and his flair for sport have won him respect and popularity.

Lord Knutsford last week completed his twenty-fifth year as Chairman of the London Hospital. He stated at a meeting of the Governors that the adoption of some form of provident scheme was being considered as a possible way out of the financial difficulties of the hospitals.

In memory of men of High Wycombe who lost their lives in the war, a hospital has just been commenced on a site given by the Marquess of Lincolnshire, Lord-Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire, on the brow of the Marlow Hill in that town. About £33,000 is in hand for the building, and the committee have accepted the tender of a local firm to erect the hospital for £32,315.

Lord Cheylesmore, Chairman of the Infants' Hospital, Vincent's Square, Westminster, reports to the Press that owing to lack of funds it has closed half its cots. The work, commenced in 1903, has been carried on without restriction until all resources—including that of borrowing—have become exhausted. The total income now in prospect is sufficient only for the support of half the cots and the out-patient department. The committee hope that when this is known the public may express in effective terms a wish that all the cots should be reopened and kept available.

Commencing this month, in-patients at the Sheffield Royal Infirmary and the Sheffield Royal Hospital, will be called upon to pay for their maintenance whilst in these institutions. This step has been taken with regret by the Committees, but the financial position of the hospitals is very serious.

A new hospital of four wards and twelve beds, presented to the town of Braintree and neighbourhood by Mr. W. J. Courtauld, High Sheriff of Essex, who has borne the entire cost, about £20,000, was recently opened by Lady Flannery.

Mr. William Crambe Reid, of Edinburgh, who died on December 23rd, aged 85, left legacies amounting to nearly £70,000. The largest bequests were those left the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary and the Longmore Hospital for Incurables, Edinburgh, each institution receiving £8,000. There are thirty-three legacies of £1,000 each, and Dr. Barnardo's Homes and the Salvation Army are to get £2,000 each.

An ex-waiter has given £1,000 to the Italian hospital in Bloomsbury for the endowment of a bed in that institution.

There is to be a memorial of the late Sir Sydney Beauchamp, a greatly beloved physician. It is to take the form of the endowment of one or more beds at his own hospital—St. Bartholomew's.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Shepherd Convalescent Home, Worthing.—Miss Margaret Kearsy has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and has held the position of pupil-housekeeper at Lord Mayor Treloar's Hospital, Alton; Sister Housekeeper at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital; Matron of the Birkdale Home for Crippled Children, Southport; and Matron of the Ministry of Pensions Hospital, West Hartlepool. She is a certified midwife and holds the certificate of the Chartered Society of Massage and Medical Electricity. She has also had experience of war nursing as a member of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve.

York City Mental Hospital, Fulford, York.—Miss Annie B. Lorimer has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Asylum, Gartnavel, Glasgow, and holds the Certificate of the Medico-Psychological Association, and has held the following appointments:—Assistant Matron of the Gartnavel Royal Asylum, and of the Maghull Military Hospital, and Acting Matron of the Rampton State Institution, Retford, Notts.

THEATRE SISTER.

South London Hospital for Women, South Side, Clapham Common, S.W.—Miss Jane Fleming has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, and has been Theatre Sister at the above hospital for two-and-a-half years, and Sister in a Surgical Ward at the Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital for fifteen months.

SISTER.

General Hospital, Tunbridge Wells.—Miss Alice Maud Morris has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Guest Hospital, Dudley, and has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Queen Victoria Hospital, Tonbridge.

SCOTTISH NURSES' CLUB LECTURES.

The first of a series of three lectures on "Citizenship" was given in the Scottish Nurses' Club, 205, Bath Street, Glasgow, on Saturday, January 14th, at 4 p.m. The lecturer, J. R. Peddie, Esq., M.B.E., M.A., Glasgow University (Adviser of Studies), was introduced by Dr. McGregor Robertson. There was a good attendance, and the lecture, which was most interesting and instructive, was very much enjoyed by those present. The lecturer treated his subject in a general way and on lines which could be effectively developed at the future lectures of the series (January 21st and 28th), to which his hearers are looking forward.

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