

**LEGAL MATTERS.****ALLEGED NURSE CHARGED WITH FRAUD.**

At Woking, on August 28th, Mary Lyon, a middle-aged woman, was charged with obtaining jewellery from Mrs. Constance Lydia Holroyd by false pretences. The charges concerned a diamond pendant, valued at £125; a diamond brooch, valued at £60; twelve loose diamonds, valued at £80; and a diamond ring, valued at £170.

Mr. G. R. Holroyd said in evidence that his wife advertised the articles for sale, and received a reply from the accused, whom he subsequently met by appointment at the Grosvenor Hotel. The accused, who was wearing a nurse's uniform, told him that she had been in charge of a large convalescent home for soldiers, run by Lady Morley, whose sister she was. She further stated that she was the widow of a naval officer, and that she had been awarded the O.B.E. for services as a nurse. She stated that the pendant was for her niece, who was to attend Court. He handed her the pendant, and other jewellery was sent to her; she made another appointment with him, but failed to keep it.

The accused asserted that she said she had nursed Lady Morley's sister. The Grosvenor was rather bad for hearing. Evidence was offered that she was engaged as a nurse-companion to a sister of Lady Morley.

Police evidence was given to prove that the accused pleaded guilty on all charges, and she was remanded.

We see no evidence given to prove that Mary Lyon was a trained nurse. The Nursing Profession is now within measurable distance of being able to prove whether or not a person who claims to be a Nurse is a Registered Nurse, and whether or not the uniform she is wearing is the protected uniform of a Registered Nurse. It behoves all nurses who are eligible for Registration by the State to register without delay, and thus dissociate themselves from persons of this type.

**APPOINTMENTS.****ASSISTANT MATRON.**

**Oxford County and City Mental Hospital, Littlemore near Oxford.**—Miss Jessie M. Willcox has been appointed Assistant Matron and Home Sister. She was trained at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, and has held the positions of Theatre Sister and Night Sister in that institution, and of Housekeeping Sister at the Colwyn Bay and District Hospital. She also holds the certificate of the Medico-Psychological Association, having received her training in Mental Nursing at Bridlington House.

**Leigh Infirmary.**—Miss M. Y. Evans has been appointed Assistant Matron and Sister-in-Charge of the X-Ray, Electrical and Massage Department. She was trained at the Leigh Infirmary, and at the Royal Infirmary, Wigan, and has been Ward Sister at the Leigh Infirmary.

**SISTER-TUTOR.**

**St. Marylebone Hospital, Ladbroke Grove, W.**—Miss O. M. Billingham has been appointed Sister-Tutor. She was trained at the London Hospital, and did Military nursing in connection with Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve during the war. She is a Certified Midwife.

**NIGHT SISTER.**

**Oxford County and City Mental Hospital.**—Miss Margaret Carroll has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Firvale Hospital, Sheffield,

and the County Mental Hospital, Leek, Staffs, and has worked as a Sister in connection with Queen Alexandra's Military Nursing Service Reserve. She holds the certificate of the Medico-Psychological Association.

**SISTER.**

**Essex County Hospital, Colchester.**—Miss G. K. Roe has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the West London Hospital, Hammersmith, and has held the position of Staff Nurse at the Freemasons' Hospital, Chelsea, S.W.

**The Hebburn Hospital (Urban District Council of Hebburn).**—Miss G. M. Mitchell has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the City of Westminster Infirmary, when she subsequently held the position of Sister. She also worked at the Milton Hospital, Portsmouth, and the Louise Margaret Hospital, Aldershot. She has held the position of Night Sister at the Auxiliary Military Hospital, Camborne, Cornwall, and has had experience of private nursing.

**QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.**

Miss Grace Barrett is appointed to West Riding Training Home, as Assistant Superintendent; Miss Ivy D. C. Gordon to Exeter; Miss Clare Marsh to Chatham; Miss Emma Partington to Metropolitan N.A.; Miss Catherine P. Phillips to Carlisle; Miss Margaret Swanson to Tadcaster; Miss Mary E. Woodgate to Halesworth.

**BEQUEST TO A NURSE.**

Mrs. Agnes J. Baldock of Eaton Square, S.W., has bequeathed £50 to Nurse Jeannie Stoddart, formerly nurse to her husband, Colonel Edward Holmes Baldock, C.B., and herself.

**RESIGNATION.**

Miss Winram, Matron of the Stirling Combination Hospital, has resigned the position on account of her continued indifferent health. In her letter of resignation to the Board, she said that her work during the ten years she had been in its service had been a great pleasure. With the Board's kind co-operation, she had been able to carry out various schemes which had added to the better working of the various departments, and she felt certain that they would also prove to be economical. She thanked the Board for their kindness and consideration, which she had fully appreciated.

The Chairman spoke warmly of Miss Winram's work through a long period of years, saying that she had given the Committee the utmost satisfaction in carrying out her work which was of an arduous and responsible kind. He expressed the sincere wish of the members that she might soon be restored to her ordinary health and strength.

**WEDDING BELLS.**

Her many friends will wish to express to Miss Miriam Henley, Registered Nurse, who, for the last two and a half years has been a member of the staff of the Registered Nurses' Society, 431, Oxford Street, London, W., their best wishes for her happiness on her marriage to Mr. Harry Pearce, which takes place on Saturday, September 2nd, at 2.30 p.m., at St. Alban's, Thrale Road, Streatham.

Miss Henley, after previous experience in massage at the West End Hospital, Welbeck Street, W., and at the Cottage Hospital, Letchworth, was trained for four years, and certificated, at the London Homeopathic Hospital, Great Ormond Street, W.C.

Her future home will be at 30, Parklands Road, Streatham.

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