

## LEGAL MATTERS.

### SIX MONTHS' HARD LABOUR RICHLY DESERVED.

Some further details of the career of Evelyn Robinson, aged 25, who, as we stated last week, was charged at Westminster Police Court with thefts, and with collecting money without a permit, were given on October 4th, when she appeared on remand. Detective-Sergeant Frank Smith stated that she first came under the notice of the police in 1918 when she was posing as a V.A.D. nurse. She was bound over for theft on three different occasions at three different courts. She had undergone four months for a watch robbery at Brighton. She often wore nurses' uniform with decorations. On one occasion when she was ostensibly collecting for the West London Hospital she was taken there and £5 was found in her box, which was obtained in a false name and address. She was not prosecuted on that occasion. She attempted to obtain attaché cases from officials at Waterloo Station by fraudulent representations. In February, as a nurse, she obtained the confidence of a family and deceived a porter by a trick, and so obtained luggage from the Regent Palace Hotel.

Mr. Chapman sentenced her to six months' hard labour, remarking that there could scarcely be a worse history.

On a charge of stealing a marked half-crown belonging to the Hospitals of London Combined Appeal, Edith Woodward, of Queen's Gate, South Kensington, appeared at Bow Street last week. She was remanded until October 11th, bail in £50 being allowed.

We fear the street collections for charities are open to much abuse, especially if boxes are issued by the organisers to people who "look respectable," without investigation, as was stated last week in the case of Evelyn Robinson.

## THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

We note that medical men have of late left most generous bequests to the hospitals to which they have been attached.

Over £16,000 has been bequeathed to Edinburgh institutions by the late Sir James Affleck, M.D.

To the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, where a large part of his life work was done, a legacy is left for a bed to be named the Affleck Bed, in memory of members of his family and himself, and £2,000 is left to the nursing department of the infirmary.

Dr. Matthew Mitchell Bird, of Margate, and formerly of St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, W., left £11,100 16s. 3d.

He gives £100 to his executor, £100 to Miss Mary Lucas, housekeeper at St. Mary's Hospital, and the residue to St. Mary's Hospital, for general purposes.

The splendid total of £856 3s. 3d. has been paid over to the Swindon Victoria Hospital as the result of the annual fête held in the Town Gardens.

## THE "ECLIPSE" GLOVE.



We desire to direct very special attention to the "Eclipse" Glove, a most useful glove to nurses for use when performing many special nursing duties, as well as for household purposes. The "Eclipse" Gloves are made of red rubber of the finest quality, and are seamless with wide or narrow wrists and in standard sizes from 6-10. The fact that they can be sterilised in boiling water, or with antiseptics, without injury to the rubber, will commend them to our readers. Further, they are supple, easily put on, of high mechanical strength, and a velvety finish, making them a highly desirable possession for any nurse. The gloves bear the trade-mark, "The Eclipse Glove," and when purchasing "Eclipse" Gloves care should be taken to see that it is there. We feel sure that a trial will prove eminently satisfactory and lead to regular use of this efficient hand protector.

## OUTSIDE THE GATES.

A message from the United States states that Mrs. W. R. Felton has been appointed to succeed the late Mr. Tom Watson as Senator. She is the first woman so honoured.

## COMING EVENTS.

October 12th.—Central Midwives' Board. Monthly Meeting.

October 14th.—Royal British Nurses' Association Club, 194, Queen's Gate, S.W. "Not Forgotten." The Domestic Staff will entertain the Gentlemen from St. Dunstan's. 6 to 10 p.m.

October 16th to 18th.—National Milk Conference. Council Chamber, Guildhall, London, E.C. 10 to 1 and 2.30 to 5.30 each day. President, Rt. Hon. Viscount Astor.

October 18th.—St. Luke's Day. Meeting and service, C.M.S. House, Salisbury Square, 3 p.m. Special Medical Mission Service, St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, E.C., 7.30 p.m. Nurses invited.

October 21st.—The Matrons' Council. Meeting. Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital for Women, Euston Road. 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Address by Miss Beatrice Harraden on her "Trip to Poland," and Music.

October 27th.—General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Monthly Meeting. Ministry of Health, Whitehall, S.W. 1. 2.30 p.m.

## WORD FOR THE WEEK.

The most conservative thing in the world is the mind of the natural man.—Lady Frances Balfour.

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