

Kemp Gold Fields, at a salary of £120 a year. The Hospital is almost quite new, and beautifully arranged and fitted. There are about twenty-five beds, and the Staff consists of the Matron, two Staff Nurses, and the Probationer, with several native servants. It is, however, intended to enlarge the Hospital very much during the ensuing year. The town, I am told, is very pretty, and the Hospital beautifully situated, with lovely views towards the great range of mountains. Miss Warren was trained in the Kimberley Hospital, and had had charge of the Lanyon Wards for three years. She is a Member of the Royal British Nurses' Association, and a Registered Nurse.

MISS AMY MACKAY has been appointed Matron of the Frere Hospital, East London, Cape Colony. Miss Mackay was trained at Leicester in 1885-88, and gained her Certificate there. After working in other Institutions, she went out to South Africa and was appointed Staff Nurse at the Kimberley Hospital—a post which she held until she received her present appointment, the salary of which is over £120 a-year. Miss Mackay is a Member of the R.B.N.A., and a Registered Nurse. The Hospital, I am told, stands in a beautiful position on the banks of the Buffalo river. There are about twenty-five beds. The Matron has two Nurses and several native servants as her Staff, and apparently has also charge of a small farm in addition, as mention is made by my kind correspondent of cows and calves. Details like this tend to make one understand under what widely different conditions Nursing is carried on in our Colonies from those to which we are accustomed at home.

RAPID promotion has lately been taking place in the Nursing ranks at St. Bartholomew's. Miss Sinclair, who was well known to generations of students as Sister of John and Matthew Wards, has resigned, after twenty years of honourable service. She chose a sapphire ring (when asked what she would prefer) as a parting memento from her colleagues. Miss Bramwell, who has done six years' good work as Nurse and Night Sister, has been appointed Sister-in-Charge of Matthew Ward. Miss Maud Wisden, Gold Medallist and Sister of John Ward, has just recently been married to Dr. Lancelot Andrews, and has been succeeded by Miss Eames, also the winner of the Gold Medal. Miss Sleight, the

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sister of Sister President, and Miss Nellie Cross, the talented daughter of the well-known Secretary of the Hospital, and the latter of whom obtained the Gold Medal at the last examination, have been appointed Night Superintendents.

I HEAR that Miss Ellen Hyde has been appointed the Matron of the Cottage Hospital at Bromley; and that Miss Annie Plowman has just been elected Matron of the Monsall Fever Hospital, Manchester. Miss Plowman was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and finally passed her examination with much credit. She has since acted as Sister of a Surgical Ward at the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury; and those with whom she has hitherto worked confidently predict her success in her new post. Miss Plowman is a Member of the Royal British Nurses' Association.

I AM told that Miss Lucie F. Dickinson has been appointed to the post of Matron at the Baythorpe Hospital. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Leeds, for three years, and then worked for three months under the Metropolitan Asylums Board; then at the County Hospital, Aylesbury, and for the last eighteen months has held the post of Sister at the London Fever Hospital.

I OBSERVE from our reporter's account of the Quarterly Court of Governors of the London Hospital, which was held on the 2nd inst., that several children were present. This fact is highly significant of the straits to which the Committee are reduced in their desperate efforts to pursue their unpopular policy. They continue to palm off Probationers upon a trustful public who believe in their advertisement that they send out "thoroughly trained Nurses." They refuse to give their Nurses more than three separate weeks' holiday in two years. And it is not surprising that their cause is unpopular. But that baby hands are relied upon, for votes of confidence and support, is a tacit confession of weakness which we had not imagined possible.

BRAVO, South Africa! As we go to press, I learn the great news commented on, in another column. English Nurses at the Cape are now recognised by the law of the Colony, and will be registered by Government authority. It is mortifying to think that England is behind the Cape, but it will not be for long. S. G.

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