

was appointed Night Superintendent at the Croydon Mental Hospital, Warlingham, and in April of last year was appointed Sister at Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, a position she still holds.

SISTER-TUTOR

Leeds General Infirmary, Leeds.—Miss Marjorie E. Craven has been appointed Assistant Sister-Tutor. She was trained at the Leeds General Infirmary, where she was Gold Medallist of her year. She has since been Sister of a Children's Medical Ward. In December, 1921, she gained the Diploma in Nursing of the Leeds University with distinction, and is now taking a course of special study at Leeds University. She is a Certified Midwife.

SECOND HEALTH VISITOR

Borough of Chorley.—Miss Lilian Monk has been appointed Second Health Visitor. She was trained at the Fishponds Infirmary, Bristol, and has held the position of Health Visitor under the Herefordshire County Council, as well as near Chippenham.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Sister Miss A. Willes, R.R.C., relinquishes the appointment of Acting Matron, December 13th, 1922.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY FAMILIES NURSING SERVICE.

Sister-in-Charge Miss L. Badger, R.R.C., is placed on retired pay, January 8th, 1923, with permission to retain the badge of the Q.A.M.F.N.S. (substituted for the notification in the *Gazette* of January 12th, 1923).

HONOUR FOR MEDICAL WOMEN.

Dr. Mabel Elliott and Dr. Esther Lovejoy, of the American Women's Hospitals, have been awarded the Greek War Cross in recognition of their relief work in Asia Minor. This is the first occasion on which the Cross has been conferred upon a woman.

LEGACY FOR A NURSE.

Mr. Wilfrid Scawen Blunt, of Newbuildings Place, and of Worth Manor House, Worth, Sussex, bequeathed £1,000 and his bungalow, Woodlands, Horsham, with about 13 acres, to his nurse, Elizabeth Lawrence, in token of his gratitude for the care she had bestowed upon him during the past twenty years.

He stated in his will:—"I wish to be buried with the least possible delay and in the simplest manner, being laid in the ground wrapped in my old Eastern travelling carpet, and without coffin or casket of any kind, at a spot in Newbuildings Wood known to my executors"; and he requested that his nurse, Elizabeth Lawrence, should accompany him to and arrange him in his grave.

THE PASSING BELL.

By the death of Mrs. Ormiston Chant (*née* Dibbin), which occurred at Banbury last week, there passed away one who should receive more than a passing tribute at the hands of the nursing profession, of which she was a member, and by which she should be held in all honour. Not only was she a brilliant speaker, a versatile writer, an accomplished musician, but she was a fearless advocate of principles she believed to be right, including total abstinence, social purity, and woman's suffrage at a time when to advocate these things publicly meant opposition and social ostracism.

As a nurse, and subsequently as Sister Sophia, at the London Hospital, she obtained a wide practical knowledge of nursing, subsequently enlarged by the position which she held for a time as Assistant Manager of a private lunatic asylum.

It was at the London Hospital that she met her

future husband, Mr. Thomas Chant, M.R.C.S., with whom she had nearly 40 years of happy married life, though her opponents in public life did not scruple to penalise her husband and endeavour to ruin his practice, presumably with the object of cramping her activities financially. She lived to see her views on temperance widely adopted, the closing of the theatre promenades by the London County Council, and the Enfranchisement of Women during the Lloyd George Administration. For her services in the Græco-Turkish War in 1897 she was awarded the Greek Red Cross.

NURSES AND THEIR WAR PENSIONS.

The Minister of Pensions has issued Amendment Regulations under the War Pensions Act, 1921, bringing within the scope of the War Pensions (Final Awards) Regulations, 1922, the following classes of awards, hitherto excluded:—

1. All awards in respect of disabilities attributable to or aggravated by service in the Great War notified between March 31st, 1919, and August 19th, 1921, in virtue of which there has been granted a gratuity, or a weekly allowance or other award (other than a wounds pension or a conditional pension) to which the previous Regulations do not apply.

2. All awards in respect of disabilities attributable to or aggravated by service in the Great War, made by the Admiralty or the Army Council under any Order in Council or Warrant prior to February 15th, 1917, in virtue of which a permanent pension (other than a wounds pension) or a gratuity has been granted.

Officers, nurses, and men who have had awards of either of these classes notified to them, are entitled if dissatisfied with their award to appeal to the Pensions Appeal Tribunal, provided they give notice of appeal within the year ending February 6th, 1924. The Pensions Appeal Tribunal is empowered to confirm, increase, decrease, or set aside a final award. For further information, officers and nurses should apply to the Secretary, Ministry of Pensions, Officers' Branch, Westminster, S.W. 1, and other ranks to the Local Office of the Ministry or to the War Pensions Committee, the address of which can be obtained at the nearest post office.

EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE.

A lecture to the Nursing and Midwifery Professions will be given at the Central Hall, Westminster, S.W. 1., at 3.30 p.m., on the Opening Day, April 3rd, of the Hospital, Nursing and Midwifery Exhibition and Conference. Mr. Godfrey H. Hamilton, Secretary of the National Hospital for the Paralysed and Epileptic, will speak on "Hospital Administration." Films will be shown continuously, illustrating the latest devices in X-ray, Out-Patients' Department, Wards, Sorting Rooms, Kitchens, Clinics, Laboratories, Dispensaries, Operating Theatres, &c. Admission, which is free and by ticket only, may be obtained by applicants, enclosing stamped and addressed envelope to the Secretary, Hospital Nursing and Midwifery Exhibition and Conference.

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