

Miss Copeman, R.R.C., Matron, Paddington Hospital.

Miss Dowbiggin, R.R.C., Matron, North Middlesex Hospital.

Miss Dodds, R.R.C., Matron, Bethnal Green Hospital.

Miss Jones, A.R.R.C., Matron, Camberwell Infirmary.

Mrs. Roberts, Matron, West Derby Union Infirmary.

Miss M. Smith, R.R.C., Matron, Withington Infirmary, West Didsbury.

Miss Woodman, R.R.C., Matron, Lambeth Infirmary.

Miss Seymour Yapp, Matron, Lake Hospital, Ashton-under-Lyne.

A very hearty and sincere vote of thanks was passed to Miss Barton, R.R.C., the retiring President, for the very great work and interest she has given to the Association for the many years she has been President; also to Miss Alsop, who was retiring as Secretary, for the very valuable and helpful services she had given.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Elmhill House, Royal Mental Hospital, Aberdeen.—Miss Elizabeth R. Henderson, R.R.C., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, where she held the position of Charge Nurse. She then worked as Ward Sister, Theatre Sister, and Charge Night Sister in a hospital in Salonica, and afterwards as Sister and Temporary Night Superintendent at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary.

Isolation Hospital, Maesteg.—Miss Joan A. Jones Owen has been appointed Matron under the District Council. She was trained at the Isle of Thanet Fever Hospital, and the Royal Infirmary, Chester, and has recently been Senior Sister at the Isolation Hospital, Maesteg.

HOME SISTER.

Salford Union Infirmary (Hope Hospital), Pendleton, near Manchester.—Miss Alice Hilton has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the above Institution, and has been temporary Staff Nurse at the Birmingham General Hospital, Pupil Midwife at the Birmingham Maternity Hospital, Ward Sister at Bromley Infirmary, and Ward Sister and First Night Superintendent at the Salford Union Infirmary.

SISTER.

General Lying-in Hospital, York Road, Lambeth, S.E.—Miss Florence Emily Peyton has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the London Homœopathic Hospital, after which she spent three months in a Surgical Nursing Home in London. She then trained in midwifery at the General Lying-in Hospital, and has done district midwifery. She has also had experience of private nursing as a member of the staff of the Registered Nurses' Society, 431, Oxford Street, W., for upwards of two years. She is a Certified Midwife.

QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

Transfers and Appointments.

Miss Ellen M. Gibson is appointed to Marple Bridge; Miss Evelyn Lawrenson to Usworth; Miss Maude Martin to Manchester (Hulme); Miss Helen E. Nixon to Woodhouse; Miss Martha Reeve to Bushey; Miss Dorothy Robinson to Leeds (Central); Miss Elsie Swain to Cirencester.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

It is officially announced that Major-General Sir William B. Leishman, K.C.M.G., C.B., F.R.S., F.R.C.P., K.H.P., has been appointed Director-General, Army Medical Service, in succession to Lieut.-General Sir T. H. J. C. Goodwin, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., F.R.C.S., K.H.S., with effect from July 29th next.

This appointment is important to nurses because the Director-General A.M.S. is largely responsible for the Military Nursing Services. We wonder what are his views on Rank for Service Nurses? Let us hope more liberal than those of the Queen Alexandra's Army Nursing Board, who have done nothing to secure Rank for Imperial and Territorial Nurses.

THE IRISH NURSES AND MIDWIVES UNION.

At a Public Health Conference, held at the Mansion House, Dublin, on February 21st, convened by the Irish Nurses' and Midwives' Union, Miss L. Bennett, President of the Union, presided and moved the following Resolution, which was seconded by Miss Simpson, and carried:—

Resolution.

"That this meeting calls upon the Government to appoint a Ministry of Health and Public Welfare, so that the very urgent needs of the community in regard to health services may be considered and dealt with without delay."

Miss Bennett said that the Nurses' Union felt the need for a constructive as well as defensive policy. For this reason a year ago it had organised a series of conferences on health matters. The result was the formation of a Public Health Committee. The attention of this Committee had been directed to the lack of nursing facilities in the country districts of Ireland; and to improve these conditions these meetings should do much.

Since the Government had not yet formed a Ministry of Public Health, it was important that public opinion should be aroused on the subject. That was the reason for the present meeting.

The Union is keeping a watchful eye on the Registration question and reminds its nurse members that any who have not already registered should do so at once. It notifies them in its Members' Circular: "This is the State Register, and already in many advertisements of public appointments Registration is mentioned as a necessary qualification. Eventually unregistered nurses will have as little standing in public estimation as unregistered medical practitioners have to-day, and no nurse will be able to claim a public appointment unless she is registered."

It also reminds its members that on the next Nursing Council there will be a majority of nurses elected by the Registered Nurses themselves, and this Council will control the training of nurses and eventually the whole profession. And that the latest date for "Existing Nurses" to register is March 31st, 1923, so that they must be expeditious.

WORD FOR THE WEEK.

"The proper function of the clergy is not to make a better world to live in, but better people to live in the world."—*The Bishop of Bradford.*

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