

24th, but in the meantime this number, it is hoped, will be considerably exceeded.

St. Albans Poor Law Guardians propose to buy Oster Hills, a large house, for the accommodation of nurses in the workhouse infirmary. The cost, if not exceeding £6,000, will be sanctioned by the Ministry of Health.

At an inquest recently held at Bristol, Dr. Aubrey said that the cause of death was carbon monoxide poisoning from the exhaust gases from the motor-car. One per cent. of carbon monoxide would kill in ten minutes. He had heard of similar cases, one in the same neighbourhood.

The Coroner said the danger of such an accident should be made known to the public.

THE LABORATORY.

Dr. Godfrey, Minister of Health in the Ontario Government, announced at a meeting of medical men at Hamilton, that Dr. Banting, the discoverer of insulin, would shortly disclose a new discovery "of greater importance than the diabetes cure."

"It is a marvellous thing," Dr. Godfrey said, "but I am not at liberty to divulge any further information."

Dr. Banting has been engaged in research work in Toronto under Federal and provincial grants.

A later report states that it will be some time before accurate details can be made public on the new discovery. In the meanwhile, give research workers every facility to follow and verify their gleams of light. It is just here that no expense should be spared, and every encouragement given. Had Dr. Banting been a successful shopkeeper, wire-pulling politician, or newspaper man, he would no doubt have received some titular distinction. But a man of genius, to whom humanity already owes a stupendous debt, sits long below the salt!

VICTOR HORSLEY MEMORIAL LECTURE.

The first lecture, "On the Relations between Surgery and Physiology" will be given by Professor Sir Edward Sharpey Schafer, F.R.S., in the Barnes Hall of the Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, on Thursday, October 25th, 1923, at 5 p.m. The chair will be taken by Sir John Bland Sutton, President of the Royal College of Surgeons. Admission is free, on presentation of visiting card, and no doubt some loyal Registrars will wish to be present. The late Sir Victor Horsley was one of our real medical allies, and his death a great blow to the evolution of nursing.

HONOUR FOR AN AMERICAN NURSE.

General Gouraud recently conferred the Legion of Honour on Miss Evelyn Lanely, an American nurse, for conspicuous bravery in a bombardment at Duisburg during the war. The ceremony took place in the courtyard of Les Invalides, Paris, a most appropriate place for such a signal recognition of valour, with the dust of the great Napoleon, Founder of the Order, so near by.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

North Herts and South Beds Hospital, Hitchin.—Miss Kathleen Bell, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, and has been Staff Nurse in a Surgical Home in Norwich and at the Cancer Hospital, Fulham Road. For five and a-half years she held appointments at the Dreadnought Hospital, Greenwich, and has been Matron of a Nursing Institute at Uccle, Brussels.

Alnwick Infirmary, Alnwick.—Miss Gertrude Telford has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, where she has also held the position of Ward and Theatre Sister.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Glasgow Eye Infirmary.—Miss Margaret Baker has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, in which institution she has held a position of Sister.

NIGHT SISTER.

South London Hospital for Women, South Side, Clapham Common, S.W.—Miss Agnes R. Watt has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, where she subsequently held the position of Sister. She has also been Sister-Tutor and Office Sister at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

SISTER-MATRON.

Oldchurch Hospital, Romford.—Miss Eleanor Beatrice-Shields has been appointed Sister-Matron. She was trained at Wingrove Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and at the East End Mothers' Home, and has been Sister, Night Sister and Assistant Matron at Mile End Infirmary, and Theatre Sister at Mile End Military Hospital.

MASSAGE SISTER.

Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan.—Miss Grace Pearson has been appointed Massage Sister. She was trained at the General Hospital, Kettering, and the National Hospital, Queen Square, Bloomsbury. She has also been Assistant Sister in the Massage Department at the Wolverhampton General Hospital.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

The following promotions have been made: Sen. Nursing Sister to be Lady Supt.: Miss M. D. Knapp, R.R.C., April 26th, 1923. Nursing Sister to be Sen. Nursing Sister: Miss O. Vernon, A.R.R.C., April 26th, 1923.

The following lady nurses have been permitted to resign the Service:—Nursing Sisters: Miss M. D. Rabbidge, July 25th, 1922; Miss W. M. Thomson, March 9th, 1923.

The following lady nurses have been permitted to retire from the Service:—Chief Lady Supt.: Miss A. M. Harris, R.R.C., Sept. 18th, 1923; Nursing Sister: Miss A. G. Veech, on account of ill-health, Aug. 1st, 1923.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE INSTITUTE.

TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Elsie M. Bath is appointed to Surrey C.N.A., as Superintendent; Miss Mary K. Reid, to Lancaster, as Senior Nurse; Miss Florence Alpen, to Chichester; Miss Violet M. Colchester, to Chertsey; Miss Beatrice Filley, to Norton-in-the-Moors; Miss Eleanor Hendley, to Brixton; Miss Grace A. J. Hynd, to Fareham; Miss Gertrude Perry, to Cleator (St. Bees); Miss

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