Margaret Lodge, to Buckland; Miss Gertrude M. Speakman, to Three Towns; Miss Gwendolin M. Stephens, to Chertsey; Miss Una Thompson, to Barnsley.

THE PASSING BELL. Mrs. Greig.

The death took place, on October 13th, of Mrs. Greig (née Sally Lunn), at 9, Regent Street, Nottingham. She was trained at the General Hospital, Nottingham, and held the posts of Ward Sister (Medical and Surgical) and held the posts of Ward Sister (Medical and Surgical) and Night Superintendent. After finishing a course of Housekeeping there she was appointed Assistant Matron at the Royal Albert Infirmary, Wigan. She married in September, 1922, Mr. F. C. Greig, one of the Honorary Assistant Surgeons at the General Hospital, Nottingham. Her death is sincerely lamented by her colleagues at Nottingham and elsewhere.

Miss Amy Trevor Steele, M.A.

We regret to record the death of Miss Amy Trevor Steele, M.A., Head Mistress of the Grey Coat Hospital for thirteen years, and a member of the first General Nursing Council for England and Wales upon the nomination of the Board of Education. Miss Steele was seriously out of health when appointed to the General Nursing Council, as was apparent when she succeeded Miss Tuke, who honestly gave as her reason for her resignation that she did not see that she could be any use. Frankly, we do not see that educationists who have no knowledge of nursing can be of use in dealing with so highly technical a branch of education as that of nursing, any more than they would be of use on the General Medical Council, and it does not appear fair that the Registered Nurses should have to pay the expenses of these persons.

Knowing nothing of nursing education and organisa-

tion, Miss Steele's sympathies, like those of her lay colleagues on the Council, were not with the aspirations of the Registered Nurses; and, referring to our records of Council meetings, we find that her vote was invariably given for what we consider to be contrary to the

interests of the Registered Nurses.

THE NURSE.

I have known the gasp of the dying, And the first, faint cry of the born; And wavering souls have brushed me, As they sought their own in the morn.

I have looked upon sorrow and suffering, And engaged the battalions of pain; Trampled them under in triumph, And forth to the battle again.

Alone, through the long night watches, I have seen the day-star rise; But I've glimpsed more of heaven In fading, triumphant eyes.

I've raised the head of the dying; And shrouded the face of the dead; And bathed the warm limbs of the new-born, To carry the race ahead. Charlotte Whitton, From The Canadian Nurse.

THE DEATH OF MISS ELIZABETH CLEMENT HUMPHREYS, O.B.E., R.R.C.

The War Office announces, with regret, the death, in Cologne, on Tuesday, October 9th, of Miss Elizabeth Clement Humphreys, O.B.E., R.R.C., Principal Matron of the British Army of the Rhine. Miss Humphreys, who received her training at the London Hospital, from January, 1897, to April, 1900, served for two years in the South African Campaign as a Sister, Army Nursing Reserve. She was appointed to the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Staff in February, 1903, and promoted Matron in November, 1911. During the was twice mentioned in despatches for distinguished service. She was awarded the Royal Red Cross (First-Class) in June, 1917, the O.B.E. in 1918, and the Greek medal for Military Merit (Fourth Class) in November, 1919. Miss Humbbrers was Matron of November, 1919. Miss Humphreys was Matron of Queen Alexandra's Military Hospital, London, from May, 1919, to November, 1921, when she proceeded to the British Army of the Rhine as Principal Matron.

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The funeral of the late Miss E. C. Humphreys, O.B.E., R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S., Principal Matron of the Rhine Army Medical Services, took place at the Sudfriedhof on October the 12th. A large number of sympathisers followed the coffin to its last resting place. Nearly one hundred officers attended. General Sir A. J. Godley was represented by Lieut. Fitz R. H. Fyers, Rifle Brigade A.D.C., and Col. on the Staff J. D. McLachlan was represented by Col. A. H. Hutton Wilson. Col. E. W. Bliss, D.D.M.S., Col. Lecky, Col. Young, and Col. Woodifield were also present. Every branch of General Headquarters was represented by an officer, as was also every unit on the Rhine. The chief mourner was Mr. Wilson, nephew of the deceased. The pall-bearers were Lieut.-Col. Dorgan, Lieut.-Col. Packer, Lieut.-Col. Bond, Lieut.-Col. Shea, Major McEwen, and Major Crawford, all Medical Officers, while the bearers were Staff-Sergt. Brindall, Sergt. Kay, Sergt. Rolfe, Sergt. Hudson, Sergt. Plunkett and Sergt. Green, also members of the R.A.M.C. R.A.M.C.

Miss A. B. Smith, C.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief, War Office, attended the funeral from England, while

War Office, attended the funeral from England, while all the available Sisters from the Rhine Army hospitals were present. Over one hundred men of the Royal Army Medical Corps attended.

The coffin was conveyed to the cemetery on a gun carriage, supplied by the 3rd Brigade R.F.A., and the band of the 5th Fusiliers played appropriate music. The firing party, also supplied by the Fusiliers, fired three rounds at the graveside, while buglers played the "Last Post." The burial service was conducted by the Rev. Thorold, Principal Chaplain, assisted by the Rev. Jagoe and Rev. Stiff.

Floral Tokens.

A very large number of beautiful wreaths were sent from relatives, friends and medical and nursing colleagues.

IMPRESSIVE MEMORIAL SERVICE.

A deeply impressive memorial service for the late Miss E. C. Humphreys, O.B.E., R.R.C., Matron, Q.A.I.M.N.S., was held at the Chapel of the Queen Alexandra Hospital, Grosvenor Road, on Friday afternoon, October 12th. The service was arranged to take place concurrently with the funeral service at Cologne.

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