

Anyway, let us be up and doing in support of the good men and true to whom we owe gratitude and respect.

REGISTERED NURSES' PARLIAMENTARY COUNCIL

The President, Councillor Beatrice Kent, has summoned a meeting of the above Council for Thursday, November 22nd, to consider and take such action before the Parliamentary Election as seems fit. Every member eligible to attend should make a point of being present.

Meeting at 431, Oxford Street, London, W., at 5 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRONS.

General Hospital, Croydon.—Miss C. L. Keys-Wells, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh; and at Charing Cross Hospital, London; and has held the following posts—Sister, Charing Cross Hospital; Sister-in-Charge, War Hospital, Stratford-on-Avon; Night Superintendent, Charing Cross Hospital; Sister Housekeeper, Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton; and Matron, Herefordshire General Hospital.

Kincardineshire Isolation Hospital, Stonehaven.—Miss Janet E. MacHardy, R.G.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Aberdeen Infirmary and Summerfield Isolation Hospital, Aberdeen; and has been Sister at the Seafeld Hospital, Ayr.

Croesnewydd Hospital, Wrexham.—Miss Mary E. Williams, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Whipps Cross Hospital, London, and has been Matron of Romford Union Infirmary; and Superintendent Nurse, Pontypool.

Hull Corporation Maternity Home, Hull.—Miss K. V. Coni, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained (first-class certificate), Guy's Hospital, London; and at the General Lying-in Hospital, York Road, Lambeth. Certificate, Central Midwives' Board. She has been Staff Nurse, Ward Sister, and Head Midwife, General Lying-in Hospital; and is an approved teacher of Pupil Midwives.

Chelsea Hospital for Women Convalescent Home, St. Leonard's-on-Sea.—Miss Ellen West has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. John's Infirmary, Wandsworth, S.W.; and has been Assistant Matron and Matron of the Chelsea Hospital for Women.

WARD SISTER.

Highgate Hospital, Dartmouth Park Hill, N. 1.—Miss May Alexander has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained and certificated at the same institution.

Dudley Union, Birmingham.—Miss Gertrude M. Clarke has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at High Teams Hospital, Gateshead; and has held the posts of Staff Nurse at Wooley Sanatorium; and Senior Night Sister at Solihull Infirmary, Birmingham.

Tynemouth Union Hospital.—Miss Gertrude Knight has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at Bagthorpe Infirmary, Nottingham; and has been Charge Nurse at Minster Union and Sister at Lincoln and Stockport Unions.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Matron Miss Susan Smyth, R.R.C., retires on retired pay (November 1st), with permission to retain the badge of the Q.A.I.M.N.S.

The following resign their appointments: Sister Miss Jean Todd (October 13th), with permission to retain the badge of the Q.A.I.M.N.S.; and Staff Nurse Miss M. G. Le Bas (November 5th).

The following to be Staff Nurses: Miss Florence Mary Powell (February 1st); Miss Marion Veronica Todrick (February 13th); Miss Mildred Elizabeth Harris (March 5th); Miss Jane Eliza Reid (March 15th); and Miss Katharine Mary David (March 19th).

LEGACY FOR A NURSE.

Mr. William Burdett Irvin, of Aughton, Lancs., bequeathed his nurse £100.

RESIGNATIONS.

The resignation of Miss Jessie Fraser Ballantyne, S.R.N., R.R.C., of the position of Matron of the Fulham Infirmary, Hammersmith—a position which she has filled with distinction for the last twenty years—is a great loss to the Poor Law Nursing World. Miss Ballantyne was trained for three years and certificated at Guy's Hospital, after which she was successively Sister, Night Superintendent, and Assistant Matron at the Lewisham Infirmary until appointed Matron of the Fulham Infirmary in 1903. During the war the Infirmary was placed at the disposal of the Military Authorities and used as a War Hospital, Miss Ballantyne being appointed Matron as a member of the Army Nursing Service Reserve. We understand that Miss Ballantyne proposes to take the prolonged rest which she much needs after her arduous experiences, but we may be sure that later on she will find some way of serving the profession of which she is so valued a member.

There is great regret locally at the resignation of Miss G. Vergette, S.R.N., of the position of Matron of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Dover, where her capable organisation and great administrative powers, as well as her kindness and courtesy have secured her many friends. Miss Vergette, who was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, hopes shortly to open a Nursing Home in the London area, and she is sure of a welcome from her colleagues and friends in the Metropolis.

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

The Duke and Duchess of York, who recently visited Manchester, received a cheque for £70,000 subscribed in connection with the Lord Mayor's Two Million Shillings Hospital Fund.

The Prince of Wales passed a strenuous day at Winchester on November 8th. Women threw violets and other flowers into his car. At his Royal Highness's direction the flowers were handed to the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, which he subsequently visited. The Prince selected one bunch of violets and personally presented it to the Matron of the Hospital, Miss Carpenter-Turner.

Princess Mary, Viscountess Lascelles, paid a visit last week to the Victoria Hospital for Children, Chelsea, the special purpose of her visit being to inspect the unique installation in the department

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