

## APPOINTMENTS.

## MATRON.

**Stockton and Thornaby Hospital, Stockton-on-Tees.**—Miss Edith Marshall, S.R.N., A.R.R.C., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, E. From September, 1914, to March, 1919, Miss Marshall served with Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, and has since been Sister at West Suffolk General Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds.

**Cardigan Sanatorium, Wakefield.**—Miss E. Robinson, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal County Hospital, Winchester, and has been Sister, Boston Hospital, Lincs.; Assistant-Matron, Winsley Sanatorium, Bath; Sister and Deputy-Matron, Blencathra Sanatorium, Cumberland; and Wrenbury Hall Sanatorium and Training College, Bath; and Home Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Doncaster.

**Poor Law Institution, Beverley.**—Mrs. L. A. Adams, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Boundary Park Hospital, Oldham, and the Municipal Maternity Home, Leicester. Mrs. Adams was previously Matron of the Pattrington Poor Law Institution, and holds the Certificate of the Central Midwives Board.

**Infectious Diseases Hospital, Harborough Road, Northampton.**—Miss M. E. Norman, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester.

## QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE.

Miss M. Fields has been appointed as a Sister in the above Service, to date August 30th, 1926. Miss D. Lampard has been appointed as a Sister, to date August 30th, 1926. Miss G. M. Meadows has been appointed a Sister, to date September 1st, 1926. Miss P. G. Carolin has been appointed a Sister, to date September 1st, 1926. All the Sisters are appointed in a probationary capacity.

## QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

A large number of appointments of Sisters to be Acting Matrons dating from 1914 onwards are notified in the *London Gazette* of August 27th.

Staff Nurses to be Sisters, under Army Order 197 of 1926:—Miss M. Gray, July 1st, 1926, with seniority next below Miss F. H. Bennett; Miss E. M. Doyle, July 2nd, 1926; Miss N. P. Morgan, July 6th, 1926; Miss E. L. Burr-Bryan, July 23rd, 1926; Miss S. J. McMullan, A.R.R.C., July 1st, 1926, with seniority next below Miss F. M. Gurton, A.R.R.C.; Miss G. E. Morgan, July 4th, 1926; Sister Miss K. A. Allsop, A.R.R.C., to be Matron, August 1st, 1926, vice Miss E. Barber, R.R.C., to retired pay; Sister Miss M. L. Dudgeon resigns her appointment, August 17th, 1926; Staff Nurse, Miss M. F. Dorman resigns her appointment, August 12th, 1926.

## QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

The following promotion has been made: Lady Supt. to be Chief Lady Supt.—Miss W. Walker; June 24th, 1926.

## PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

Miss K. M. Beall resigns her appointment as Staff Nurse, acting Sister; August 13th, 1926.

## TERRITORIAL ARMY NURSING SERVICE.

Miss M. M. Biggar, Principal Matron, 3rd Southern General Hospital, resigns her appointment, March 18th, 1926; Miss E. M. H. Sparks, R.R.C., to be Principal Matron, 3rd Southern General Hospital, March 19th, 1926; Mrs. J. B. Edgar, M.V.O., R.R.C., to be Matron, 4th Scottish General Hospital, October 1st, 1925; Miss M. Cameron, A.R.R.C., to be Matron, 2nd Scottish General Hospital, October 1st, 1925; Miss A. Macdonald, R.R.C., Matron, 1st Eastern General Hospital, resigns her appointment, June 28th, 1926; Miss J. A. Hannah, R.R.C., to be Matron, 1st Eastern General Hospital, June 29th, 1926; Miss C. V. Dewar, R.R.C., Matron, 2nd Southern General Hospital, resigns her appointment, June 28th, 1926; Miss M. Jennings, M.M., R.R.C., to be Matron, 2nd Southern General Hospital, June 29th, 1926.

to be remunerated by the allotment of shares paid up in part, because it is expressly provided in the Articles of Association that the Directors of the Company may at any time borrow on uncalled capital. Presumably if a nurse, for instance, were remunerated for services rendered to the Company in partly paid up shares she would be liable to find the balance, or any part of it, on demand, which might be highly inconvenient.

To include in the constitution of a Bureau organised ostensibly for the benefit and convenience of Registered Nurses, the medical profession, and the public, provisions such as we have detailed above, is to introduce an entirely new element into the organisation of private nurses in this country. In our view it is both unprofessional and undesirable. We cannot too strongly advise nurses to keep the control of their professional affairs in their own hands, and also to keep their professional and financial arrangements distinct.

## LEGAL MATTERS.

## Robbing a Blind Invalid.

A well deserved sentence of six months' hard labour and the payment of a fine of £50 was passed upon Charles Anderson, a male nurse, at Marylebone Police Court on August 23rd, for a peculiarly cruel and despicable crime. Anderson pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing jewellery and money to the value of £45, from West Hampstead, while employed there as a male nurse to Mr. Lifetree, a blind man of over 70. In passing sentence, Mr. Bingley the magistrate, said it was a shocking thing that a man with a criminal record should obtain a position as male nurse to a blind invalid and then loot the house.

Anderson also confessed to the theft of ten guineas in 1924 from the Bath Pensioners' Hospital, while employed there as an orderly. A warrant for that offence was issued two years ago, but the police had been unable to execute it.

Detective Parlett said prisoner was employed to help Mrs. Lifetree nurse her blind husband. He disappeared on June 21st, taking with him jewellery and money, and, when arrested at North Fulham, he confessed that he had pawned most of the property.

Anderson had a bad record. He had been sentenced to 21 days' hard labour at West Bromwich for theft, to six months' hard labour at Stafford for housebreaking, and to twelve months at the London Sessions for stealing money.

We do not find the name of this criminal on the State Register of Nurses which is designed to protect the public.

## NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

## A New-Comer at Camp.

A new-comer this year at the Nurses' Missionary League Camp, at Sandsend, writes:—

It rained pretty relentlessly for our first few days, but we were all so happy together, and we did the things we planned to do, and did not mind—and if some of us crept on to our beds during the afternoon, so much the better for we had all been busy and were tired. And then came days of real summer sunshine, and oh, how we loved the shore and the sea. No one felt it strange when some of us turned into children again, and walked barefoot along those lovely stretches of sand, and ran races with the waves and felt "the sheer joy of living." And some of us wandered away with a book and got the much-needed rest and quiet.

By the end of two days the new-comer no longer felt new, and will certainly come again! and the kinship was the closer because of our morning prayers together and our evening talks. We had heard rumours of a Bible Study Circle—what could that be and why? But when four of us went off with our leader we found that we could just talk things out that had long been on our mind, without anyone thinking that we were setting up to be better than we are! And we learned much from St. Paul's letter of thanks and thanksgiving to his Philippian friends.

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