

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Warwick County Mental Hospital.—Miss M. E. G. Little, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, and has held the positions of Sister at Guy's Hospital, and Assistant Matron at Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill.

Frederick Andrew Convalescent Home for Ladies, West Malling, Kent.—Miss Nora S. Townshend, S.R.N., R.R.C., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Temperance Hospital, and has been Assistant Matron at Coatham Convalescent Home, Redcar, Yorks, and Metropolitan Orphanage, Strawberry Hill, Middlesex.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Calderstones Certified Institution, Whalley, Lancs.—Miss E. K. Holt, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at Erdington Infirmary, Birmingham, and has been Holiday Accident Nurse, Dunlop Rubber Co., Birmingham; Queen's Nurse, Brighton and Hove, and Leicester; Ward Sister and Sister Tutor, The Hospital, London Road, Newcastle, Staffs. Miss Holt holds the Certificate of the Central Midwives' Board, and is on the Panel of Examiners for the General Nursing Council.

THIRD ASSISTANT MATRON.

North Evington Infirmary, Leicester.—Miss F. M. Brown, S.R.N., has been appointed Third Assistant Matron. She was trained at Fir Vale Hospital, Sheffield, and acted as Theatre Nurse, Staff Nurse, Ward Sister and Maternity Sister for the Sheffield Guardians from 1917-1922, and was Night Sister for the Willesden Guardians from 1924.

HOME AND SISTER TUTOR.

Royal Aberdeen Hospital for Sick Children, Aberdeen.—Miss Beatrice Parker, S.R.N., has been appointed Home and Sister Tutor. She was trained at Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, Pendlebury, and Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool; and has been Ward Sister, General Infirmary, Harrogate; Night Sister, Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital, Heswall; Ward Sister, Royal Infirmary, Chester; and Pupil-Housekeeper, Charing Cross Hospital, London.

SISTER-TUTOR.

Grove Hospital, Tooting Grove, S.W.17.—Miss L. Meehan, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at St. Marylebone Hospital, and has been Staff Nurse, South Western Hospital, Stockwell; Sister, Eastern Hospital; Pupil Midwife, St. Marylebone Hospital; Sister, Royal Infirmary, Sunderland; Pupil Housekeeper, South London Hospital for Women; Sister, South Western Hospital; and Night Superintendent, Brook Hospital, Shooters' Hill, S.E.

WARD SISTER.

South London Hospital for Women, South Side, Clapham Common.—Miss Florence M. Turpin has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at Birmingham General Hospital, where she was afterwards Staff Nurse and Temporary Sister; she has also been Staff Nurse at the Chelsea Women's Hospital. Miss Turpin holds the Certificate of the Central Midwives' Board.

THEATRE SISTER.

South London Hospital for Women, South Side, Clapham Common.—Miss Elizabeth Tripconey has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro, where she was Staff Nurse and Acting Sister.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S MILITARY NURSING SERVICE FOR INDIA.

NURSES DECORATED.

The King has conferred the decoration of the Royal Red Cross, First Class, upon:—Miss Alice Goodwyn, A.R.R.C., and Miss Edith Jane Stonehouse, Lady Superintendents, Queen Alexandra's Military Nursing Service for India, in recognition of the special devotion and competency displayed by them in their nursing duties in Military Hospitals in India.

THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

Civil Division:—Dame Commander—Dame Anne Beadsmore Smith.

WEDDING BELLS.

Members of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain who met the Countess Louise d'Urzel, Hon. Secretary of the Fédération Nationale des Infirmières Belges, at meetings of the International Council of Nurses in Copenhagen and Helsingfors, will, we feel sure, wish to convey to her through their National Organ, THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, their cordial congratulations, and wishes for her future happiness, on the occasion of her marriage with the Vicomte d'Hennezel of Chateau Marault by Boulogne (Haute-Marne).

LEGACIES TO NURSES.

Mr. Robert Norton, D.L., J.P., of Yalding, Kent, left £100 to his nurse, Miss Kingsbury.

Miss Emma Elizabeth Miles, of Westcliff-on-Sea, left £100 to Nurse Bower, if still in her service.

Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. Walter Constable Maxwell, of Knightsbridge, left £100 to Nurse Laura Owen.

Miss Mary Agnes Owens, of Kington, Herefordshire left £50 to Nurse Berry if still on the staff of the Kington and Huntington Parish Nursing Association, for her kindness to the poor, and £50 to Mrs. Griffiths, Matron of Kington Workhouse in recognition of her services to the inmates.

Mr. Walter Beacall Bishop, of Beckenham, left Nurse Emily Knight an annuity of £52.

The Right Hon. Lady Alice Magdalen Des Vœux, of Sussex Gardens, W., left £1,000 to Clara Elizabeth Hawksley, "as a token of appreciation; she has nursed me through a severe illness, risking her life and bringing me intense comfort," and she left her also her brougham and the benefit of the livery stable contract for six months after her death.

Miss Mary Eleanor Robinson, of Holmfield, Holmefield Road, Aigburth, Liverpool, left an annuity of £50 to Nurse Alice Hanrahan.

Miss Rosa Esther March, of Beech Grove House, Leeds, has bequeathed £50 to her nurse Miss Annie S. Armstrong.

THE PASSING BELL.

Dr. Waldo, the Southwark Coroner, held an inquest recently on the body of Edith Beatrice Rivette, 54, a certified nurse, of Bromley, Kent, who died in Guy's Hospital from blood-poisoning contracted while nursing a patient. It was stated that early in January she went to Brockenhurst to nurse a little girl suffering from a septic throat. In applying hot fomentations the nurse burned her left wrist. A doctor told her she had poisoned the blister and must be very careful. Miss Rivette insisted on going on with her work, because her little patient was so ill, and she eventually brought the child to Barnes, where she became unconscious after fainting. She was removed to Guy's Hospital, where she died. In recording a verdict of "Accidental death," the Coroner said that he wished to sympathise with Miss Rivette's relatives. He regretted the loss of a nurse who was doing such a great work in the world. He did not think the public realised what risks were run by doctors and nurses.

We regret to learn that the body of Miss Mary Jane Elliot, a Queen's Nurse belonging to the Gloucester District Nursing Association, who has been missing, has now been found on the foreshore of the Severn.

Also of the death of Miss Laura Dagmar Smith, whose body was found in the Ribble at Preston. Miss Smith was a member of the Nursing Staff of H.M.S. *Britannic* which was torpedoed during the war, and subsequently had a nervous breakdown.

The League of the Roses, a voluntary organisation of women banded together to raise funds for the Women's Ward in the Royal Northern Group of Hospitals, handed £1,900 to that institution during 1925, making a total of £19,250 subscribed since 1910.

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