

NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

The 24th Anniversary was held at University Hall, Gordon Square, W.C., on Wednesday, May 11th.

Morning Session. 10.15—12.30. *Chairman,* Miss J. Macfee. Devotional Address, Miss C. H. Mayers. Reports from various hospitals as to scheme for Bible Study. Discussion. Missionary Litany for Doctors and Nurses.

Afternoon Conversazione. 3—5.30. *Hostesses.* Mrs. Sturge, Miss Hammond. Addresses: Strength Renewed. The Rev. A. Herbert Gray, D.D. Miss Fairfield. Music.

Evening Session. 7.30—9.30. *Chairman.* H. Crichton Miller, Esq., M.A., M.D. Review of the Year by the Secretary, Miss Richardson. Adoption of Annual Report and Election of Committee. Missionary Address, "Pioneering on Three Borders," Miss A. McCable (China). Closing Address, "The Secret of New Strength," the Rev. Prebendary Sharpe, M.A.

APPOINTMENTS.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Metropolitan Convalescent Institution, Broadstairs.—Miss E. Salter has been appointed Lady Superintendent. She was trained at the General Hospital, Cheltenham, and has since been ward sister at Essex County Hospital, and at the Royal United Hospital, Bath, Housekeeping Sister at Lord Mayor Treloar's Cripples' Home, Alton, Assistant Matron at the Victoria Hospital for Children, Chelsea, and Matron of Heatherwood Orthopaedic Hospital for Children, Ascot.

MATRON.

Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle.—Miss D. Say, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and at Guy's Hospital, London, and has since held positions as Sister and Assistant Matron at the former institution.

City Maternity Hospital, Wakefield.—Miss M. Bembridge, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Guest Hospital, Dudley, where she later held the position of Sister, and at the Jessop Hospital, Sheffield. Miss Bembridge has also been Night Sister at the Maternity Hospital, Leeds, and Sister at the Royal Hospital, Chesterfield.

Forster Green Hospital for Consumption and Chest Diseases, Belfast.—Miss F. E. Hardy has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, and has since been Nurse Matron of the Hostels, Stranmillis Training College, Belfast.

Holme Valley Memorial Hospital, Huddersfield.—Miss Margaret Hunt Roberts has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, where she subsequently held the position of Ward Sister. She has also been Night Sister at the Beckett Hospital, Barnsley, and Charge Sister and Assistant Matron at the Westmoreland County Hospital, Kendal.

King Edward Sanatorium, Guernsey.—Miss O. P. Hann, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Portsmouth Infirmary and has since been Staff Nurse at the Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Maida Vale, Ward Sister at Acton Hospital, Sister at Ilford Emergency Hospital, Night Superintendent and Ward Sister at the Milton Hospital, Portsmouth, and Senior Sister at the Grove Park Hospital.

HOME AND THEATRE SISTER.

Harton Hospital, South Shields.—Miss Rose H. Spence, S.R.N., has been appointed Home and Theatre Sister. She was trained at Highfield Hospital, Sunderland, where she held the position of Ward Sister, and at Princess Mary's Maternity Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Lancashire County Council, Lancaster.—Miss Annie Worsley has been appointed tuberculosis health visitor. She was trained at the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, and has since done private nursing.

Miss *Wilhelmina Swift* has also been appointed Health Visitor under the same authority. She was trained at Lambeth Hospital, S.E. 11, and has since been district nurse and health visitor at Ilminster.

Borough of Lancaster.—Miss Emily Kidd has been appointed Health Visitor. She was trained at the David Lewis Hospital, Liverpool, and has since been sister in a nursing home at Birkenhead.

THE PASSING BELL.

We greatly regret to record the death of Miss Madeline B. Nutt, who was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, and served during the War as a Matron with the Territorial Force Nursing Service—in connection with No. 1 General Hospital, and the Redhill War Hospital. Of recent years she has worked at a Nursing Home in the same place. Her death took place at Reigate on April 16th.

We greatly regret to record the death of Miss Mary J. Gordon, S.R.N., of Aberdeen, Assistant Matron at Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, Surrey, since 1916, before which she had, since 1909, held the positions of Second Assistant Matron, Superintendent Sister, and Night Superintendent. Her death supervened on an attack of cerebral hæmorrhage during a visit to Brighton, when she was removed to a nursing home. At first hopes were entertained of her recovery, but a week later she became unconscious, and passed away on April 13th. Her death came as a great shock to her colleagues at Carshalton who respected and loved her.

The first part of the burial service took place in the hospital chapel at Queen Mary's Hospital, and the interment in the churchyard at Carshalton on April 20th, where her grave was lined by the nursing staff of the hospital with fresh green leaves and primroses. Many floral tributes from present and former members of the staff and others were placed upon it.

The late Miss W. A. J. (Ina) King, R.R.C., who passed away in Moffat on the 11th March, was the younger daughter of the late Major-General George King, C.B., who commanded the 13th Somersetshire Light Infantry. She entered the Army Nursing Service, now Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, under the auspices of the Old National Aid Society for the Care of Sick and Wounded in War, 1st August, 1882. She served with distinction in both Egyptian campaigns, received the Egyptian Medal and Star, and was one of the very earliest recipients of the Royal Red Cross. Later she served with the Brigade of Guards in London, where she endeared herself to her fellow-workers, as well as being beloved of her patients and subordinates. Afterwards she served some time in Ireland and retired in November, 1890. Subsequently she was for many years Matron of the Royal Scottish Nursing Institute, Queen Street, Edinburgh. She then went to live with her only sister, to whom she was deeply attached, the late Mrs. James Clark, of Paisley.

She had often passed near Moffat on her way to inspect a Branch of the Royal Scottish Nursing Institute in Carlisle, and used to say that she would like to retire and spend the evening of her days there. This ambition was fulfilled after her sister's decease in 1915.

Miss King's generosity seemed to have no limit, but was without ostentation—a weekly gift of tobacco to one, milk to another, fruit and flowers to a third, steak to a fourth—she was, indeed, as a poor old man once said "a fairy godmother to everyone in trouble." She will be much missed in the local Episcopal Church, of which she was a loyal and helpful member. She was devoted to animals, and seemed to love every living creature. She always had a dog as a close, if somewhat exacting, companion. Withal she had a special gift of humour, which carried her over many a difficulty.

This appreciation is by an old and deeply attached fellow-worker.

LEGACIES TO NURSES.

Mr. Alfred George Frost, of Heathfield, Sussex, left £3,000 to his nurse, Jean Simpson, "as a recognition of her kindness and help to me during my illness."

Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, of Bath, left £50 to Nurse Sarah Wheeler, and £100 to Nurse Winifred Hutchinson.

Miss Emma T. Hartley, of Harrogate, left £300 to Jane Sealy, trained nurse.

The Rev. William A. Brevoort-Coolidge, of Grindelwald, left £40 per annum to his nurse, Albert Hurzeler, and his wife, Louise, jointly, during their lives, with remainder to the survivor.

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