

Rumanian people, and learnt to realise their difficulties, and the wonderful way in which these difficulties were surmounted by a people who barely 50 years ago were still under the domination of the Turk.

The Rumanians are perfectly well aware of the handicap of Eastern influences, just as they are perfectly well aware of their own power and ability to succeed in whatever they undertake with the serious intention of succeeding.

We congratulate Miss Wood on the good and enduring work she has done in impressing upon the authorities of Princess Helen's Nursing School the need for the standardisation of Nursing Education, and the State Registration of Nurses. A large number of excellent women might have been sent out who would have organised the School admirably, who would not have done as she has done, and convinced the authorities of the need for placing nursing education in Rumania on a statutory basis.

We are pleased that this should have been accomplished by a valued member of the French Flag Nursing Corps, of which we acted as Hon. Superintendent during the Great War, and who worked subsequently in the Devastated Regions of France. Miss Wood is also a Fellow of the British College of Nurses, and this is just the kind of work that we want its Fellows and Members to do.

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

At a meeting of the Hospital Savings Association—an association of working men, managed and maintained by themselves—held recently at the East Ham Town Hall, a message was received from the Prince of Wales, who wrote: "I wish I could have accepted the mayor's invitation to meet you to-night. I should have liked to have had an opportunity of telling you in person how much I appreciate what you are doing for the hospitals and for one another. Yours is a splendid movement. I have watched its rapid growth with the greatest interest, and I hope the number of contributors to the hospitals will continue to increase. I congratulate you on what you have already achieved, and wish you a very happy evening."

The opening of the Bernhard Baron Pathological Department at the London Hospital adds one more to the benefactions of this philanthropist, and places in the hands of the medical staff of that hospital an instrument for efficient work, for in the words of the Chairman of the hospital, "good hospital work cannot be done without a properly equipped pathological department with really first-rate men working in it." This work is little understood by the general public, there is nothing spectacular about it, and it is not a popular department of hospital work, but it is of fundamental importance.

As a Christmas gift, Mr. Albert Levy, Hon. Treasurer of the Royal Free Hospital, has added £14,000 to the £6,000 he has already contributed to the hospital's funds. The President, Lord Riddell, has increased his donation by a similar contribution, and the hope is expressed that these gifts will stimulate others to support the hospital's Centenary Appeal.

Sir George Wills has presented a Home for the Nursing Staff of the General Hospital, Bristol, in memory of his wife. The Home which has just been opened, and will accommodate 31 nurses, has been named the Susan Brittain Wills Home.

The Royal Halifax Infirmary has received a gift of £10,000 from Mr. Ernest Shaw Redman, of Halifax.

This is one of the few voluntary hospitals where the annual income is sufficient to meet expenditure.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Isolation Hospital, Colchester.—Miss B. Thornhill, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the New Cross Infirmary, Wolverhampton, and has since been Sister Tutor and Assistant Matron at the Hallam Hospital, West Bromwich. Miss Thornhill is a certified midwife.

Isolation Hospital, Cheshunt.—Miss B. M. West, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Whipps Cross Hospital, Leytonstone, and has since been Ward Sister at the Joyce Green Hospital, Dartford; Ward Sister and Night Superintendent at the Southwark Hospital, East Dulwich; Maternity Sister at the North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton; and Night Superintendent and Housekeeping Sister at the West Herts Hospital, Hemel Hempstead. Miss West is a certified midwife.

Accident and Surgical Hospital, Barry.—Miss O. Chester, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. James' Hospital, Balham, and at the Allt-yr-yn Hospital, Newport, Mon.; and at the City of London Maternity Hospital. Miss Chester has held the posts of Ward Sister and Night Superintendent and Assistant Matron and Home Sister at University College Hospital, and Assistant Matron and Home Sister at the County Hospital, Hertford. She is a member of Q.A.I.M.N.S.R., and served during the War in Alexandria and Salonica, and is a certified midwife.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Hallam Hospital, West Bromwich.—Miss J. Plant Cochran, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Merryflatts Hospital, Govan, Glasgow, and has since been Assistant Matron and Home Sister at Barnhill Hospital, Springburn, Glasgow; Assistant Matron and Theatre Sister at the Royal Eye and Ear Hospital, Bradford; First Assistant Matron at the Ham Green Hospital, Pill, near Bristol; and did Army Nursing from 1915 to 1920. Miss Cochran is a certified midwife.

Edinburgh District Mental Hospital, Bangor, West Lothian.—Miss M. T. A. Titterington has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, where she was later Staff Nurse in charge of the Ear and Throat Out-Patient Department. Miss Titterington has since been Assistant Matron at the Stirling District Mental Hospital, Larbert, and holds the certificate of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association.

Selly Oak Hospital, Birmingham.—Miss A. H. McIntosh, S.R.N., has been appointed Second Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Lewisham Hospital, London, and has since been Night Sister at the Selly Oak Hospital. Miss McIntosh is a certified midwife.

General Infirmary, Leeds.—Miss M. B. Salton, S.R.N., has been appointed Second Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Leeds General Infirmary and at the Belfast Maternity Hospital, and has since been Ward Sister at the Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury; and Senior Assistant Tutor at the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Miss Salton holds the Leeds University diploma in nursing; is a certified midwife; and an Examiner for the General Nursing Council.

HOUSEKEEPING SISTER.

The Queen's Hospital, Birmingham.—Miss A. Wiggins, S.R.N., has been appointed Housekeeping Sister. She was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and took Housekeeping training at the Royal Infirmary, Bradford. Miss Wiggins has since been Assistant Housekeeper at University College Hospital, and Assistant Matron at the Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, Maida Vale, London.

HOME SISTER.

Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill, N.21.—Miss R. Devonshire, S.R.N., has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the St. James' Hospital, Balham, and has since been Ward Sister at the North Western Hospital, Hampstead; and Ward Sister and Night Sister at the Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill. Miss Devonshire is a certified midwife.

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