

unnecessary and useless sacrifice on her part, because any additional lime which could be extracted from the mother would prove insufficient to supply the needs of the child. The speaker related an interesting point, namely, that, at birth, there are present in the child's jaws all the temporary and many of the permanent teeth, while at six years of age a child has 52 teeth in the jaws.

The lecturer next stated that imperfect teeth can affect the health in one or both of two ways: (1) through indigestion and more serious troubles due to insufficient mastication of the food; and (2) through poisons from decayed teeth being carried all over the body.

The lecture was illustrated with a large number of lantern slides.

LEGAL MATTERS.

In the Divorce Court, on November 12th, Mr. Justice Hill allowed the intervention of a private individual, Mr. William Henry Moon, a draper of York, who sought the rescinding of a decree nisi granted to Mr. Francis David Stuart because of the misconduct of his wife.

Mr. Moon, who is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Stuart, alleged that Mr. Stuart, at the hearing of his petition, concealed from the court the fact that he had been guilty of misconduct with Mrs. Isabella Allan Dallas, a nurse, whom he met while he was undergoing an operation in a London nursing home.

Mrs. Dallas, in the witness box, admitted her misconduct with Mr. Stuart.

The important point about the case is that Mrs. Dallas is a Registered Nurse, on the State Register of Nurses under the authority of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Presumably, therefore, this case will be investigated by that Council and adjudicated upon by it.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Infectious Diseases Hospital, Ulverston.—Miss C. Johnson, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Halifax, and at the City Fever Hospital, Hull, and has since been Ward Sister at the City Tuberculosis Hospital, Hull, Night-Superintendent at the City Fever Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Charge Sister at the Fever Hospital, Hebborn-on-Tyne.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital, W.C.—Miss E. A. Dudley, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Metropolitan Hospital, London, and has been Sister at the Hounslow Hospital, Ward Sister and Night Sister at King Edward's Hospital, Windsor, and took her Housekeeping Course at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

Lancashire County Mental Hospital, Prestwich.—Miss C. L. Cooper, R.M.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the above Hospital, where she was later Sister. Miss E. Murphy, R.M.N., has also been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the above Hospital, where she was later Sister. Miss F. E. A. Swatman, S.R.N., R.M.N., has also been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the County Mental Hospital, Lincoln, and at the Dorset County Mental Hospital, Herveison, and has since been Sister Tutor of the Croydon Mental Hospital.

SISTER.

English Hospital, Chateau Mer et Mont, Menton, A. M. France.—Miss E. S. Newton, F.B.C.N., has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway Road, N., and has been Night Sister at the District Hospital, Newbery, Sister at the General Hospital, Tiverton, Matron at the Hospital, Ottery St. Mary, Matron at the Margate College Sanatorium. Miss Newton has also done Private Nursing in the South of France, Switzerland, and Worthing, and has been Sister at Osborne House, East Cowes, I.O.W.

SISTER-TUTOR.

The Infants' Hospital, Vincent Square, S.W.1.—Miss E. Cartwright Key, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor.

She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, where she was later Sister and Assistant Tutor in the Preliminary Training School. Miss Cartwright Key has also been Ward Sister at King Edward VII Hospital, Sheffield, and Ward Sister at the East Suffolk Hospital, Ipswich.

Staincliffe Infirmary, Dewsbury.—Miss M. Snow, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at the Union Infirmary, Derby, where she was later Ward Sister. Miss Snow holds the Certificate of King's College, and is a Certified Midwife.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Staff Nurses to be Sisters: Miss M. Bremner, Nov. 1st, 1929; Miss F. M. Lowther, Nov. 1st, 1929; Miss K. E. Shaw, Nov. 1st, 1929; Miss E. M. K. Taylor, Nov. 1st, 1929; Miss S. A. W. Wade, Nov. 1st, 1929; Miss C. L. Barker, Nov. 24th, 1929.

LEGACIES TO NURSES.

Mr. Alexander Hamilton, J.P., of Kidderminster left £100 to Miss Emma Thornton, Matron of the Gillsland Hydro.

Dame Louise Selina Maxwell, of Queen's Gate, Kensington, left a policy on her life for £1,500 and the bonuses on it to her "faithful and devoted nurse and companion," Gabriel Hindle.

Miss Blanche Harvey Goodridge of Bristol left £100 to Nurse Frances Johnson.

Mr. Harry Dundee Hooper, M.A., of Torquay and Exeter College, left £100 to Nursing Sister Mabel Baseden Smith.

THE PASSING BELL

The Late Miss E. E. Ford.

AN APPRECIATION BY MISS MARGARET HUXLEY, M.A.

At the last meeting of the Irish Matrons' Association, Miss Huxley said:—

It is with sincere regret that I record the loss our Association has sustained by the death, after many weeks of acute suffering, of Miss Eleanor E. Ford, late Matron of the Rotunda Hospital, who passed away on September 30th.

Miss Ford's training at Guy's Hospital, London, included a midwifery course; she obtained her certificate and afterwards worked for about six years as Assistant District Midwife in one of London's poorest slums, where she gained much experience of the needs of poor women and their babies. No other training and experience could have been more suitable for her life's work. At Cardiff she organised and started the Maternity Block in King Edward VII's Hospital, only leaving that hospital to take up work at the Rotunda.

Miss Ford was essentially modest as to her capabilities, not easily making friends, yet when one knew her one found her a wise, keen and thoughtful worker, ever anxious to promote the welfare of nurses, especially those engaged in maternity work. Amongst her many activities, she was instrumental in starting a post-graduate course for midwives, and had the satisfaction of seeing the first success of the scheme she organised in 1928. She arranged the details of the second course, held early this year, and watched from her death-bed its even greater success than that of the previous year.

Many of the midwives attending the lectures presented themselves for a written and oral examination and received a certificate for efficiency, dated and signed by Miss Ford and the Master of the Hospital. These certificates of efficiency are a very real help to the midwives who gained them, and their enthusiasm and thanks were Miss Ford's reward.

She also started a school for training nursery nurses, taking young women of eighteen years of age and teaching them the art and science of rearing infants, beginning at the very beginning by teaching them how to clean the nursery, washing as well as making the baby-clothes, preparing the feeds, washing and dressing the child, taking pulse and temperature, charting them, writing notes thereon, and so forth. The demand for these nurses is greater than can be met at present.

All this work gave Miss Ford great satisfaction in the doing, her slogan being "Progression." Early in the year she wrote and prepared for the Press a small manual on ante-natal and maternity conditions, which, she told me, would be very suitable reading for "the gardener's wife." She has not lived to see her work published.

And so passes from amongst us an earnest worker, with initiative powers, a gentle, kindly, unassuming woman, beloved by all those who worked under her.

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