

what she was doing. At the moment she was in a Nursing Home, and the solicitors instructing him had endeavoured to get the General Nursing Council to withdraw the prosecution on that ground, but the Council had not seen fit to do so. It would be impossible for him to dispute that all the things alleged were committed, but defendant, although not in such a state as to be certifiable, was suffering from a mental disease.

No Alternative but to Convict.

The Chairman said the Bench had no alternative but to convict, and the penalty would be £3.

The above facts are fully reported in the *Bromsgrove, Droitwich and Redditch Weekly Messenger*.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRONS.

Children's Hospital, Plaistow.—Miss F. Longbottom, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and has since been Staff Nurse at the Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham; and Ward Sister and Assistant Matron at the Infants' Hospital, Leeds.

Raywell Sanatorium, Cottingham, Yorks.—Miss N. Rennardson, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Hull, where she was later Sister of a Women's Medical Ward. Miss Rennardson has also been Sister Housekeeper at the Royal Hospital, Sheffield, and Acting Matron and Matron at Pandyffryn Hall Sanatorium, Penmaenmawr.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Grove Hospital, Tooting.—Miss R. Devonshire, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the St. James' Hospital, Balham, and has since been Ward Sister at the North-Western Hospital, Hampstead; and Ward Sister, Night Sister and Home Sister, at the Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill, N.21.

West Sussex County Mental Hospital, Chichester.—Miss A. I. Charters, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the North Bierley Infirmary and St. Luke's Hospital, Bradford, and has since been Ward Sister at the General Hospital, Acton, Ward Sister at St. Helen's Hospital, Lancs, Night Sister at the Maternity Hospital, Belfast, and Home Sister and Sister Tutor at St. John's Hospital, Keighley. Miss Charters is a Certified Midwife, and holds a certificate in Housekeeping.

SISTER-TUTOR.

Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway Road, N.7.—Miss A. M. C. Fairfax-Lucy, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister-Tutor. She was trained at the General Hospital, Leamington Spa, and at the General Hospital, Birmingham, and has been Theatre and Casualty Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Truro, Holiday X-Ray Sister at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, Theatre and Ward Sister at the West Suffolk Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds. Miss Fairfax-Lucy obtained her Certificate of Teaching at King's College Hospital, London, and is a Certified Midwife.

HOUSEKEEPING SISTER.

Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital, Euston Road, N.W.1.—Miss D. E. M. Bellett, S.R.N., has been appointed Housekeeping Sister. She was trained at St. George's Hospital, London, and obtained her Housekeeping Certificate at Brompton Hospital. Miss Bellett has been Night Sister at St. Mary's Hospital, Plaistow, and Ward Sister at the North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton.

Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport.—Miss H. Hislop, S.R.N., has been appointed Housekeeping Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Oldham, where she has since been Sister and relief Night Sister; she has also been Staff Nurse at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, and Sister at the Ingham Infirmary, South Shields.

WARD SISTER.

Woodlands Open-Air Hospital, Birmingham.—Miss A. J. Ennitt, S.R.N., has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and at the Shropshire Orthopaedic Hospital; and has since been Theatre Sister at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Bristol.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT THE GENERAL INFIRMARY, LEEDS.

On February 6th, at the Annual Prize Distribution to the Nursing Staff, Mr. H. D. Middleton, Chairman of the Infirmary, was in the chair, the Dowager Lady Manton presented the prizes, and Lord Dawson of Penn delivered the Address. The principal awards were as follows: Pupil Probationers (Training School), Class Examinations, October 1928 to October 1929. First Prize, Gertrude M. Nunn. Infant Hygiene and Diseases of Children, First Prize, Kathleen M. Morris. Principles and Practice of Nursing, First Prize, Edith K. D. Maxwell Telling. Anatomy and Physiology, First Prize, Helen G. Simpson. Medicine, First Prize, Elizabeth Smith. Surgery, First Prize, Winifred Irwin. Gynaecology, First Prize, Charlotte Craven. Hygiene, First Prize, Ella Balmer and Marjorie Lumb. Chairman's Prize for Aggregate Marks in Nursing Anatomy and Physiology, Medicine and Surgery, First Prize, Winifred Irwin; Second Prize, Winifred Ayris; Third Prize, Muriel Shuter. Matron's Prize for Practical Nursing (Fourth Year), Kathleen Mann. The Eva Moynihan Gold Medal and Prize of £5, Ella D. Balmer. The Eva Moynihan Silver Medal and Prize of £3, Alice L. Hairsine.

LEGACIES FOR NURSES.

Mr. Hugh Banastre Crosse, of Manchester Street, London, left £50 each to Sister Gabrielle O'Flanagan, Sister Beryl Brook, and Nurse James, "in recognition of all their kindness and care for many years."

Mr. John Dickenson Eaton, of Sheffield, left an annuity of £150 to his late wife's Nurse, Frances Stamper.

Mrs. Emma M. Muir, of Teignmouth, left £2,000 in trust for Nurse McMahon, for life, "in return for services rendered by her to my late husband," with remainder to the residuary estate.

Mr. James Hutchinson, of Chilwell, Beeston, Notts, left £200 each to Miss Mary Morrison Adam, sister at Manchester Royal Infirmary; Miss Maybelle Tillet, nurse at Manchester Royal Infirmary; Miss Isabel May Ewins, matron of Barnes Convalescent Hospital, Cheshire; Miss Annie D. Davidson, sister at the said Convalescent Hospital; and Miss Olive J. Jolly, sister at the said Convalescent Hospital.

THE PASSING BELL.

We greatly regret to record the death on March 2nd of Miss Annie Warren Gill, C.B.E., R.R.C., Companion of the Order of the British Empire. Miss Gill was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, where she subsequently held the positions of Night Superintendent and Assistant Lady Superintendent. She was appointed Matron of the Edinburgh and East of Scotland Hospital in the South African War, and later Matron of the Concentration Camps in the Orange River Colony, and received the Royal Red Cross for her services in South Africa. She was appointed Matron of the Royal Berkshire Hospital in 1903, and in 1907 succeeded Miss Spencer as Lady Superintendent of Nurses at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.

Miss Gill was a Principal Matron in the Territorial Army Nursing Service (2nd Scottish) and the Assistant Editor of the *BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING* was indebted to her for much courtesy and kindness in September, 1914, when, hearing she was in Edinburgh, she invited her to be present at the send-off of the first Scottish Unit to the War, and afterwards, at an extremely busy time, took her to the Territorial Hospital at Craighleith. For her services in the Great War Miss Gill was awarded a bar to the Royal Red Cross, and was made a Companion of the Order of the British Empire.

Miss Gill took a considerable interest in nursing organization and attended the Interim Conferences of the International Council of Nurses in Paris (1907) and Geneva (1927). After consultation with Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, she founded the Scottish Matrons' Association on the lines of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, and acted as its Chairman for many years. She was appointed a member of the General Nursing Council for Scotland in 1920, and was afterwards an elected member. She was elected President of the College of Nursing in 1927, but resigned through ill-health before the conclusion of her term of office.

Miss Gill died at Hove, and the funeral took place at Malew Church, Isle of Man, on February 7th. A Memorial Service, attended by many of her friends and colleagues, took place in the Chapel of St. Thomas's Hospital, London, on the same day.

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