

and on Xmas morning early, the Nurses met for an early celebration of Holy Communion. As we knelt together on the earth floor in the mat hut that comprised the Nurses' dining room, we felt a thrill of joy, so much nearer to the reality of that first Xmas day did we seem.

After Xmas services held in the wards gifts were distributed. One tiny girl who had lost an eye was given a doll as well as clothing for herself. Probably she had never seen a doll in her life, as she touched it very shyly, first stroking its feet and its arms and then its face. Finally she hugged it to her and beamed with joy. In the evening we found her still sitting up hugging her doll.

In the large mat shed Church erected near the centre of the hill hundreds of refugees were fed with steamed bread buns.

As great ingenuity is called for to prevent mobbing amongst such crowds of hungry people, the distribution had been planned with care.

We greatly admired the masterly and efficient way in which the Chinese Christians who were responsible, handled the crowds and distributed the bread.

Now that the year has turned, five of the eight hospitals have closed, three are continuing work and some clinics until the spring, when it is hoped that the refugees may be able to return to the homes from which they have been so rudely torn.

The Union Hospital hopes to reopen in January and be able to continue some work for the sick refugees.

A swarm of workmen are in possession of the hospital buildings that the flood left standing.

After being submerged for four months, they are very damp and in a state of great disrepair.

Walls are being mended, floors relaid, windows and doors repaired or remade, glass being put in, rusty locks renovated, whitewashing and painting, etc., etc.

We expect to open for patients about January 15th and be ready also for the Nurses Examinations on January 22nd.

At the request of the Government, the Nurses' Association of China postponed the date of the annual examinations to allow of time and strength being given fully to relief work. Also the medical Schools were closed for the time being, but will reopen in February after the winter vacation.

#### LEGACIES TO NURSES.

Miss Emily Margaret Hewson left £200 per annum and certain furniture to her nurse Daisy Gearing.

Mr. Walter Herbert Septimus Pyman, J.P., of Newholm, Whitby, left £100 to Nurse Chappell.

Mrs. Eliza Petch, of Leamington Spa, left £100 to Nurse Mary Hartwell, of Farnborough, near Banbury, formerly nurse to her late husband.

Miss Rosamond Hepburn Forrester, of Hull, left £300 each to her late nurse Edith Hulton, and to her late nurse Ethel Bryan.

Miss Eliza Hayne, of Tunbridge Wells, left £50 to her nurse, Mrs. Sampson, and £100 to Nurse Brown "for her devotion to my late husband and myself and other members of my family."

Mr. William Hall, of Kirby Bedon, Norfolk, left £50 to Sister Sarah J. Reynolds.

Mrs. Sarah Caroline Walker, of Oswestry, left £50 to Nurse Laura Jew.

Miss Mary Ann Linom, of Ashford, Kent, left £200 and £50 per annum to her former nurse-companion, Mary Ann Baker.

Mr. William Dunn Black, of Wallington, Surrey, and of Auchtentoshaw and Kilbrowie, Dumbarton, left £500 to Nurse Sandover.

Mrs. Esther Rosina Laidlaw, of Plumstead, S.E., left a

pearl and diamond ring to Sister Tyler, of the X-Ray Department, Cancer Hospital, Fulham.

Mr. John Henry Coghlan, of Harrogate, left a life annuity of £100 to his "faithful nurse" Emma Loftus.

Miss Ellen Margaret Jackson, of Hove, left £100 to her nurse, Sister Blaine.

A grateful patient left £100 to Rosamond Hannah Rice, of Harrington Street, Regent's Park, N.W., "as a small token of my gratitude for her unremitting care and skill in nursing me through my illness."

## APPOINTMENTS.

### LADY SUPERINTENDENT NURSE

**The Infirmary and Hospital, Belfast.**—Miss F. H. Airey, S.R.N., has been appointed Lady Superintendent Nurse. She was trained at the Children's Hospital, Broomlands, and at the Holgate Hospital, Middlesbrough. Miss Airey has been Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor at the City Hospital, Derby.

### MATRON.

**Plaistow Hospital for Infectious Diseases, Samson Street, Plaistow, E.13.**—Miss Isabella Tulloch, S.R.N.; F.B.C.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Whipps Cross Hospital, Leytonstone, and the Plaistow Fever Hospital. Miss Tulloch has been Assistant Nurse at "The Grange," Harold Wood; Ward Sister at the Joyce Green Fever Hospital, Dartford; and Assistant Matron at the Plaistow Hospital for Infectious Diseases.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**The Princess Mary Maternity Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne.**—Miss G. W. Fox, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, Norwich, and at the Royal Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh, where she was later Staff Nurse and Night Sister. She has also been Gynaecological and Midwifery Sister at the Queen's Hospital, Birmingham, and Matron at the Gynaecological Convalescent Home attached to the Samaritan Free Hospital, London.

### SISTER-HOUSEKEEPER.

**Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, City Road, London, E.C.1.**—Miss B. Piggott, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Housekeeper. She was trained at the Jenny Lind Hospital for Sick Children, Norwich, and at Charing Cross Hospital, London, and took a Housekeeping Course at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton. Miss Piggott has been Ward Sister at Queen Mary's Hospital, Carshalton, and has also had experience of private nursing.

### MATERNITY SISTER.

**Forest Gate Hospital, E.7.**—Miss B. Moohan, S.R.N., has been appointed Maternity Sister. She was trained at St. Andrew's Hospital, Bow, and has worked as Relief Maternity Sister at the Forest Gate Hospital, has done private nursing, and is a Certified Midwife.

### SISTER.

**Isolation Hospital, Chingford, E.4.**—Miss R. Ellis, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Borough Hospital, Ilford, and has since been Sister at the Milton Hospital, Portsmouth, and is a Certified Midwife.

### SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

**Schiff Home of Recovery, Cobham.**—Miss K. Douglas Cheves, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister-in-Charge. She was trained at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, where she obtained a First Class Honours Certificate in Housekeeping. Miss Cheves has been Sister of the Children's Ward at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester; Sister of the Surgical Floor; and Assistant Matron at the Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women.

## THE BIRTH OF A SON.

On February 19th, to Mrs. H. E. Attwell, S.R.N., F.B.C.N. (née Breeze), of "Mon Arfon," 2, Essex Road, Chingford, the birth of a son. Mrs. Attwell's friends in the nursing world will be glad to know that both mother and son are doing well.

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