

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

National Temperance Hospital, Hampstead Road, London, N.W.—Miss Mary E. Merrell, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Middlesex Hospital, London, where she has held various appointments, and where she is at present Assistant Matron.

Greenacres Maternity Home, Oldham.—Miss E. Fray, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Torbay Hospital, Torquay, where she was later Staff Nurse, and at St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester, where she was Staff Nurse, Day and Night Sister. Miss Fray has also been Sister at Greenacres Maternity Home, and is a Certified Midwife.

Stobhill Hospital, Glasgow.—Miss A. Tulloch, R.G.N. has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Eastern District Hospital, Glasgow, where she was later Ward Sister and Night Superintendent, and has been deputy Matron at Stobhill Hospital, and Matron at the Western District Hospital, Glasgow.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Queen Mary's Hospital, Sidcup.—Miss B. E. Ellison, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, and has been Theatre Sister, Ward Sister and Assistant Matron at the Hospital for Women, Liverpool, Night Superintendent at the Royal Infirmary, Huddersfield, Night Superintendent at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, Sister Housekeeper at St. Stephen's Hospital, London, S.W., and Assistant Matron at the Pinewood Sanatorium, Wokingham, Berks. Miss Ellison holds the Gynaecological Certificate of the Hospital for Women, Liverpool, the Housekeeping Certificate of King's College Hospital, London, and is a Certified Midwife.

ASSISTANT MATRON-SISTER TUTOR.

The Presidency General Hospital, Calcutta, India.—Mrs. Norah Bedford, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron-Sister Tutor. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, where she was later Staff Nurse, Theatre Charge Nurse and Relief Ward Sister. Mrs. Bedford has also been Night Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Oldham; Ward Sister and Night Sister at the Redhill County Hospital; and Matron's Office Sister at the Central Middlesex County Hospital, Willesden. She holds the Housekeeping Certificate of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading; has taken the Sister Tutor's course at the Battersea Polytechnic; and is a Certified Midwife.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Public Health Department, Chelmsford.—Miss D. A. Hipkiss, S.R.N., has been appointed Health Visitor. She was trained at the Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham, and at the Battersea Maternity Hospital; she trained as a Queen's Nurse in London and Bilston, and obtained the new Health Visitors' Certificate at Birmingham. Miss Hipkiss has since been School Nurse at Chelmsford.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

Principal Matron Miss E. R. Collins, O.B.E., R.R.C., retires on ret. pay, October 1st, 1934. Matron Miss C. M. Roy, R.R.C., M.M., to be Principal Matron, October 1st, 1934.

PROPOSED MEMORIAL TO MISS M. E. RAY, R.R.C.

It is proposed to found a Memorial to the late Miss M. E. Ray, R.R.C., formerly Sister-Matron at King's College Hospital, who died at the Hospital after a sudden and short illness, to the grief of her many friends, and that this Memorial shall take the form of a fund to be devoted towards assisting King's nurses who are temporarily embarrassed, especially those requiring rest and convalescence after illness, as it is believed that she herself would have wished to be commemorated in this way.

Miss Ray was widely known in the nursing world in this country, as on completion of her training at King's College Hospital, and after holding the position of Sister there, she became successively Assistant Matron of the Leeds General Infirmary, Matron of the Lincoln County Hospital, and Sister-Matron of King's College Hospital, before it moved from Lincoln's Inn Fields to Denmark Hill, occupying this position during the important time of getting out the plans for the new hospital, the transition from the old to the new building, and during the War she was also Principal Matron of the Fourth London General Hospital (Territorial Army) and in recognition of her services was awarded the Royal Red Cross. In 1918 she resigned the position of Sister-Matron at "King's," and assumed the duties of Hon. Secretary of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association, but always retained her interest in the Hospital.

An influential Committee has been formed to promote the Memorial, of which the present Sister-Matron of the Hospital, Miss M. A. Willcox, R.R.C., is Hon. Secretary. She will be glad to receive contributions small or large addressed to her at King's College Hospital, London, S.E.5.

THE PASSING BELL.

It is with the deepest regret we hear of the sudden death, on September 8th, of Miss Elizabeth Hay Borthwick, late Sister at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London. Miss Hay Borthwick was motoring with a friend, Miss Wilson, and the car was involved in a collision with a motor transport at a cross-road near Arran. Miss Borthwick was thrown out and killed instantaneously. Miss Wilson, who was also trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital and served in the South African and 1914-1918 War, was rendered unconscious and severely injured.

Miss Borthwick, who was a cousin of the late Miss Isla Stewart, entered the Nursing School of St. Bartholomew's Hospital in 1894. In 1899 she was appointed Sister of Lawrence Ward, moving to Darker Ward in 1920. She retired in 1924 after 30 years devoted service.

Her home in Moffat was a centre of unbounded hospitality, a welcome was extended to any of her old friends and acquaintances who were travelling in Scotland.

Straight as a die, and skilled in her profession, she will long be remembered with affection and gratitude by scores of her nurses, house-men and dressers.

The funeral service was taken by her Moffat Minister at the Edinburgh Crematorium. There were many beautiful flowers including a "Barts" Shield from the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses, and a sheaf of many coloured lilies from the Governors of the Hospital.

Miss Borthwick left money to the Hospital for the purpose of endowing a bed in her memory to be named the Elizabeth Hay Borthwick Bed.

Many generations of nurses trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, will learn with regret of the death of Mr. William Foster Cross M.R.C.S. (Eng.), Consulting Anaesthetist to the hospital, and the third son of Mr. William Henry Cross, B.A., J.P., who held the position of Clerk to the Governors from 1866-1905.

Mr. Cross, who was born, and grew up within the precincts of the hospital, and spent the greater part of his professional life there, as student, and Resident Anaesthetist, bequeathed in his will a legacy of £500 to be invested by the Treasurer of the hospital, and the interest of this investment to be given to the Benevolent Fund of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses—testimony to the happy relations which were always maintained between him and the nursing staff, and for which he will be remembered with gratitude by its members.

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