

tion organised and carried through that Congress triumphantly in an exceptionally difficult situation.

It was decided at Helsingfors, in 1925, that the next meeting and Congress of the I.C.N. should be held in China, and on that assumption Miss Nina D. Gage, a distinguished American Nurse, then working in China, was elected President of the International Council of Nurses. Later war broke out in China and the Chinese Nurses' Association informed Headquarters that they found it impossible to undertake the organisation of the 1929 Congress.

The time remaining was short, but the Board of Directors met in Geneva in 1927. The Canadian Nurses' Association having expressed its willingness to hold the Congress in Montreal in 1929, Miss Flora Shaw, a greatly respected member of the Nursing Profession in Canada, then in Geneva, took counsel with the Board of Directors and set out on the return journey, fortified by the advice of the Board of Directors and with the threads of organisation in her hands, but she got no further than Liverpool where her tragic and unexpected death took place. It was then that Miss Hersey took hold of the situation, and how triumphantly, with the assistance of members of the Canadian Nurses' Association, she organised the Congress is now a matter of history.

The Nurses of many nations remember with gratitude how when Miss Gage came over from the States to carry out the duties of President, everything was organised to the last pin, and the visitors from overseas and the United States were made welcome by Miss Hersey in a way they can never forget.

M. B.

AN IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT.

Announcement has been made, says *The Canadian Nurse*, of the appointment of Miss Fanny Munroe as Superintendent of Nurses and head of the School of Nursing of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal. For the past 14 years she has held, with conspicuous success, the position of Superintendent of Nurses at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton.

Miss Munroe is a graduate of the School of Nursing of the Royal Victoria Hospital, and was for some time a member of the graduate nursing staff of that hospital. She has also taken post-graduate courses at Teachers' College, Columbia University, and is exceptionally well qualified, both as an administrator and an educator, for the important position to which she has now been appointed.

During the War Miss Munroe served overseas with the Canadian Army Medical Corps, and in recognition of her fine work was awarded the Royal Red Cross by King George V. She has always taken a keen interest in nursing affairs and is a past-president of the Alberta Registered Nurses' Association.

HONOURABLE SERVICE FOR THE EMPIRE.

The committee of the St. George's Hospital Nursing Association in Bombay are raising a testimonial fund for Miss Macfarlane, who on her retirement next November will have completed 17 years as Lady Superintendent of the Association and Matron of the hospital.

Miss Macfarlane was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital. In 1916 she went to India as Matron of Alexandra War Hospital.

She saw service in Mesopotamia, where she was awarded the Royal Red Cross and bar. In recognition for her later work in India she was given the Kaiser-i-Hind medal in 1930 and the Florence Nightingale medal in 1933.

A WORD FOR THE MONTH.

God sends great angels in our sore dismay,
But little ones go in and out all day.

Longridge.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

New End Hospital, Hampstead, London, N.W.3.—Miss C. M. Bernard, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, Whitechapel, and was Sister in Q.A.I.M.N.S., India 1923-25, and has been Sister at the Enfield War Memorial Hospital; Sister at the South Eastern Hospital, London; Sister Tutor at St. George-in-the-East Hospital, Wapping; Sister Tutor at St. Stephen's Hospital, London, and Assistant Matron at the Western Hospital, London.

St. Luke's Hospital, Lowestoft.—Miss A. F. Thompson, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Selly Oak Hospital, Birmingham, and has been Sister and Assistant Matron at the Royal National Hospital, Ventnor; Sister and Assistant Matron at the Royal Victoria Hospital for Consumption, Edinburgh; Sister and Night Superintendent at St. James' Hospital; Home Sister at Great Barr Park Colony; Matron at the Samaritan Hospital, Belfast; and Assistant Matron at the Fulham Institution (now Fulham Hospital II).

South Western Hospital, Landor Road, Stockwell, London, S.W.—Miss B. G. Vivian, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, London, where she was later Sister, Night Superintendent, and Sister Housekeeper, and has been Sister, Q.A.I.M.N.S.; Sister at the London Fever Hospital; Sister, Sister Housekeeper, and Deputy Matron, Q.A.I.M.N.S., India; Sister Tutor, North Western Hospital, London; Matron, Millfield Convalescent Hospital; Matron, St. Luke's Hospital, Lowestoft. Miss Vivian is a State Examiner to the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

Ipswich Isolation Hospital.—Miss Lena Martindale S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General and Eye Hospital, Swansea, and the City of Birmingham Infectious Diseases Hospital, and has been Assistant Matron at the Romford Isolation Hospital.

Isolation and Pulmonary Hospitals, Lancaster.—Miss Annie Patchett, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Grimsby and District Hospital, the London Fever Hospital, and the Warneford General Hospital, Leamington Spa, and has been Staff Nurse at the Isolation Hospital, Norwich; Ward Sister at the Isolation Hospital, Darlington, at the Isolation Hospital, Bucknall, and at the City Hospital, Lodge Moor, Sheffield; and Assistant Matron at the Isolation Hospital, Clatterbridge. Miss Patchett has also done Private Nursing.

Princess Mary's Convalescent Home for Women, Margate.—Miss W. M. Nicholls, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Mary Islington Hospital, London, where she was later Staff Nurse and Sister, and has also been Administrative Sister at St. Leonard's Hospital, Shoreditch; Home Sister at St. Andrew's Hospital, Bow; and Assistant Matron and Acting Matron at Princess Mary's Convalescent Home, Margate.

MATRON-SUPERINTENDENT.

Leicester Frith Certified Institution, Leicester.—Miss Marjorie Baldwin, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Matron Superintendent. She was trained at the Tooting Bec Hospital, the County Hospital, Pembury, Kent, and the East End Mothers' Hospital, London; and has been Home and Tutor Sister at the County Hospital, Pembury; Sister at Leybourne Grange, Malling; Sister Tutor at the Manor, Epsom; and Assistant Matron at the Middlesex Colony, Shenley.

SISTER TUTOR.

Lake Hospital, Ashton-under-Lyne.—Miss Annie Rowson, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at the County Hospital, Clayton, Bradford, and has been Ward Sister at the County Hospital, Keighley; Maternity Nurse at the Municipal Hospital, Doncaster; Health Visitor and School Nurse in Public Health Department, Doncaster; Ward Sister at the Municipal Hospital, Barnsley; Ward Sister (Ante-Natal and Maternity), London Road Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent; Night Sister at the Whiston Infirmary, Prescott; and Home Sister and Sister Tutor at St. Mary's Infirmary, Armley, Leeds.

NIGHT SISTER.

The County Hospital, Bangor.—Miss Mary Roberts, S.R.N. has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport, and has been Staff Nurse at Ruthin Hospital, Night Sister at the Liverpool Corporation Maternity Home, Bootle, and Maternity Sister at the Walton Hospital, Liverpool.

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