

## PRESENTATIONS TO MISS ELIZABETH L. MACAULAY, O.B.E., R.R.C., S.R.N.

When Miss Elizabeth L. Macaulay, O.B.E., R.R.C., S.R.N., retired from the position of Matron of the Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone, after a most honourable career of 20 years' service, it was realised in professional circles that a great pioneer in mental nursing reform had well earned a period of rest, but it also realised that Miss Macaulay was the last woman to enjoy it. We were not surprised, therefore, to learn that she recently conducted a Course of Nursing Lectures in connection with the Army Auxiliary Nursing Association, at the conclusion of which, at the recent examination by Dr. M'Henry and Nurse Jones, Ballycastle, all the candidates passed, and their success no doubt was due in a large measure to the excellent tuition imparted to them by their eminent teacher.

An interesting ceremony in this connection was the presentation to Miss Macaulay, by Mrs. Harold Rae, of a handsome manicure case as a token of esteem. Miss Macaulay, who has taken a keen interest in the Association since its inception, as its first President, presented an Emergency Cabinet fully equipped, for which she was warmly thanked. The gift should prove a most useful adjunct to those members who are anxious to obtain further knowledge in nursing technique.

### PRESENTATION FROM THE MENTAL HOSPITAL MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

Miss Macaulay has been the recipient of a cheque from the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association in acknowledgment of her unceasing efforts to promote the welfare and progress of that Association, which she founded, and of which she was President. The letter covering the gift refers to Miss Macaulay's hopes and desires for continued improvement in the care of the mentally sick and the higher development of mental nursing. It concludes with a reference to the affection and admiration felt towards Miss Macaulay by her colleagues in the Association and conveys good wishes for happiness and joy in her retirement.

### MENTAL NURSES' ORGANISATION.

To Miss Macaulay mental nurses owe their successful organisations. First, that of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association, which is affiliated to the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and which took an active part in the Congress of the I.C.N. held in London in 1937, and which has recently held its 66th meeting and presented an interesting report. At these gatherings the Matrons of Mental Hospitals come into happy relations, discuss their special problems, greatly for the benefit of the very valuable branch of nursing to which they devote their lives.

Upon the resignation of Miss Macaulay as Chairman, Miss I. R. Taylor, Matron of the Kent County Mental Hospital, Chatham, was appointed to this office, and Mrs. M. C. Lediard, D.N., Hon. Treasurer.

### THE NURSES' LEAGUE, KENT COUNTY MENTAL HOSPITAL, MAIDSTONE.

We have before us the copy of the report of the Annual Re-union for 1939 of the above League, also affiliated to the N.C.N. This League was inaugurated by Miss Macaulay during her great work at Maidstone, and keeps its members in touch with one another as years go by.

When peace comes with honour, bombs or no bombs, what a magnificent gathering of British Nurses will be held in this glorious old London of ours.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRON.

**Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest, Brompton, London, S.W.**—Miss E. M. Thornhill, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained in General Nursing at the North Staffordshire Royal Infirmary, Stoke-on-Trent; in Midwifery at the Leicester and Leicestershire Maternity Hospital; in Housekeeping and Hospital Administration at the General Hospital, Nottingham; and in Infectious Diseases at the Bradwell Isolation Hospital, Chesterton, Staffs. Miss Thornhill has been Night Sister at the Bidwell Isolation Hospital, Chesterton; Ward Sister at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading; Senior Night Sister and Home Sister at the Bolton Royal Infirmary; and Assistant Matron at the Huddersfield Royal Infirmary.

**St. James's Hospital, Leeds.**—Miss E. G. Preddy, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Deputy Matron. She was trained at St. Mary's Hospital, London, where she was later Assistant to the Sister Tutor, and has been Ward Sister, British Post-Graduate School, London, and Senior Sister Tutor at the Royal Infirmary, Hull. Miss Preddy received her Midwifery Training at the East End Maternity Hospital, London; holds the Certificate of King's College of Household and Social Science (Univ. of London); holds the Sister Tutor Diploma; holds Part A Diploma in Nursing (Univ. of London); holds the L.A.G.C. Certificate (Hull Municipal Authority); and is an Examiner to the General Nursing Council.

**Southmead Municipal General Hospital, Bristol.**—Miss E. H. Webber, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, Norwich, where she was later Staff Nurse, Ward Sister and Sister Tutor, and at the North Middlesex County Hospital, Edmonton. Miss Webber has also been Night Superintendent at the Hillingdon County Hospital, Uxbridge; and Assistant Matron at the Redhill Hospital, Edgware.

**The Children's Hospital, Sheffield (Inc.).**—Miss A. M. Parker, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Preston and County of Lancaster Queen Victoria Royal Infirmary, where she was Gold Medallist and gained a Midwifery Scholarship; and at the Sanatorium, Bryn, Ashton in Makerfield. Miss Parker has been Sister of the Children's Ward, the Medical Ward, the Orthopaedic Ward, the Male Surgical Ward, and the Private Block, and Relief Night Sister at the Altrincham General Hospital, Cheshire; temporary Home Sister, Diet Sister and Housekeeping Sister at the Preston Royal Infirmary; Assistant Matron and Housekeeping Sister, and Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor at the Children's Hospital, Sheffield. Miss Parker took the Course in Dietetics, and holds the Housekeeping Certificate of the Preston Royal Infirmary.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**Horton Emergency Hospital, Epsom.**—Miss M. M. Christie, S.R.N., R.M.N., has been appointed Second Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Claybury Hospital, Woodford Bridge, where she rose to be Chief Charge Nurse, and at the Miller General Hospital, Greenwich Road, London. She has done Private Nursing, and has been Sister at St. Bernard's Hospital, Southall, Middlesex.

### ASSISTANT MATRON AND THEATRE SISTER.

**Battersea General Hospital, London, S.W.**—Miss M. M. Mohr, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Assistant Matron and Theatre Sister. She was trained at St. Andrew's Hospital, Bow, and has been Theatre Sister at the Jersey Dispensary, St. Helier; Theatre Sister at Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea; Night Sister and Relief Administrative Sister at King Edward Memorial Hospital, Ealing. Miss Mohr took the Housekeeping Course of the Metropolitan Hospital, London.

### SISTER TUTOR.

**St. Mary Abbot's Hospital, Kensington.**—Miss Katrine M. Fogarty, S.R.N., S.C.M., M.B.C.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at Fulham Hospital, Hammersmith, where she was Silver Medallist, and where she has held the positions of Ward Sister, Assistant Sister Tutor, and Acting Sister Tutor. Miss Fogarty is a Certified Midwife, and holds the Sister Tutor's Certificate, Battersea Polytechnic.

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