

the Indian Army Service, and a member of the R.B.N.A. will contribute a paper on the Indian Army Service—and it is hoped that Miss IDA CHINNERY, Lady Superintendent of the Cama Hospital, Bombay, who, I observe, is a Registered Nurse, will write concerning Indian Native Nursing. Miss CHINNERY is organising a section of Indian Nursing Exhibits, which will doubtless prove most interesting.

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I HEAR that Mrs. BOND, better known as Sister CRISP, formerly one of her Majesty's Nursing Sisters, who has a first-class record for active service, having been through the Zulu and Egyptian Campaigns, and who has been decorated with the Royal Red Cross—now resides in Chicago, as the wife of an English Physician. This lady is keenly interested in everything appertaining to English Nursing, and is prepared to give practical help to the Committee of the British Nursing section, and will, probably, prove an invaluable colleague. It is hoped that through her assistance satisfactory arrangements may be made for the residence, and comfort of any English Nurses, who propose to visit the World's Fair at Chicago next year.

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MISS C. A. ALLEN has been appointed Matron to the General Hospital, Birmingham. Miss ALLEN was trained at King's College Hospital, and has for upwards of four years held the position of Matron to the Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle. I hope that the excellent system in vogue at the General, Birmingham, which is one of those too few country Hospitals that gives its probationers the advantage of a three years' training, will not take a retrograde step under the superintendence of Miss ALLEN. Much dissatisfaction has been caused amongst the more advanced members of the Ladies' Committee at Carlisle, by the inauguration of a system of short and, in consequence, insufficient, training for the Nurses, to be utilised for private Nursing, in connection with the Infirmary—Miss ALLEN having expressed an opinion that one year's training would be quite sufficient for the purpose. However, now that the Lords' Committee have condemned the dangerous system of one year's training, and recommended the standard of The Royal British Nurses' Association (three years), it is to be hoped that the Committees of our training schools will all raise their systems to that uniform standard.

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MISS WARREN has been appointed, with the unanimous approval of the Board, Assistant-Matron

at the Chelsea Infirmary. She worked there previously for two years as Night Superintendent, but resigned last January to undertake district Nursing for Lady HENRY SOMERSET, at Somers Town, where she has done excellent work. The Mission is now passing into other hands, and Mrs. WARREN will enter on her new duties in August, amid the good wishes of all those—past and present—associated with her. Miss WARREN is a trained Nurse, and a Member of the R.B.N.A.

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THE following letter has been forwarded to us:—

“Will you allow a seafaring man to use your columns during the few days he is ashore between voyages, to ask those he is leaving behind on land to help a really needful work, one that, from its position, is not known to the rich and well-to-do. I ask help for the Poplar Hospital for Accidents—for serious accidents only. This hospital is situated in the far east end of London, remote from the observation of the wealthy. It is in the centre of the district, where more accidents occur than in any other on the Thames. Close to the docks, close to the great ironworks, close to the largest gas works and to many other manufactories, it is situated just where it is most needed. So thoroughly do the working classes realise the absolute necessity of this hospital, that they subscribe themselves nearly one-fifth of the total contributions, and have done so, year after year. The present very old building, the furniture, the accommodation for surgeons, nurses and matron, and the sanitary arrangements are in a most unsatisfactory condition, and are condemned. Enough money has been raised to rebuild the present hospital for men, and to take in a few children. This work has been commenced, and should be finished by November; but £4,000 more is wanted to enable the Committee to build and open a ward for women, and to accommodate more children. Women frightfully injured or burnt have constantly to be turned away because there is no women's ward.

Our merchant sailor men live all round this region, and I do confidently appeal to all good women to help lessen the misery to those East-end families where the mother or sister has met with an accident and cannot be treated properly. The chairman of the Hospital, the Hon. SYDNEY HOLLAND, tells me that it is only a question of money; and when the sum of £4,000 only is needed to establish so great a boon, surely there should be no difficulty.

Her Majesty herself has this year become an annual subscriber on these facts being brought to her knowledge.

I know there are many amongst our glorious “Women of England,” who, having money to spare and the grace of God in their hearts, willingly offer of their abundance when they have the opportunity. It is for poor and suffering women of England, toilers in the East-end, who have no money to spare, and no friendly ward to receive them in case of accidents, often contracted in their endeavours to win bread for their little ones, that I plead.—I am, &c.,

J. C. ROBINSON.

Commander R.M.S. Dunottar Castle.

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