Notes from the Hospitals and Personal Items

Birth

On August 22nd, at Thames, to Dr. and Mrs. Walshe, a son (Terence Owen).

Wedding Bells

Miss Mary Purcell was recently married to Lieut. Morris Maeples, of the Army Service Corps. She writes from the Red Cross Hospital, Northcote, Sussex, where she is nursing during her husband's absence on service.

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At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, on the 22nd of September, by the Rev. Canon Richards, Sister Lilian Dunbar (Woods) to Mr. Bosson, Hauraki Plains.

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On September 24th, at Edinburgh, Scotland, by the Rev. Mr. Mackay, Captain J. J. Robertson, Seaforth Highlanders, to Elizabeth Buick Reid, late Sister in Napier Hospital, third daughter of Mr. J. T. Reid, Mt. Eden, Auckland.

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Engagement: Miss Eleanor Child, Napier Hospital to Mr. Lawlor, of Hastings.

On severing her connection with the Wellington Hospital, on the eve of her marriage, Miss Broadbent, the matron of the Victoria Hospital, was the recipient of presentations from both the women and men patients of that institution, the patients of the Seddon Annexe, and the nursing staff of the Wellington Hospital. The kindest wishes were expressed for her future, and were feelingly replied to by the recipient.

Two Napier nurses, Nurse Murray and Nurse McBeth, recently on the hospital staff, left last Saturday for England, where they intend undertaking nursing of wounded soldiers. Prior to their departure a "gift" afternoon was tendered to them by Mrs.

Tattersall and Miss Waller.

We publish in this issue an account of Miss Maclean's work while abroad, which will prove most interesting to the nurses who remain here, as well as to the friends of those who have gone.

Miss K. E. Benjamin (Christchurch) has been accepted by the War Office for home nursing service and has been appointed to the Beaufort War Hospital at Bristol. She took up her duties on June 5. Later she may be transferred for service at the front.

Miss L. Miller, Pahiatua, left Aug. 19th for Egypt.

Nurse Wright is visiting the Hot Lakes district just now in company with Miss Hay, of Prospect House Private Hospital.

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Mrs. Wm. Ewing (Sister Young) asked some Dunedin nurses to meet Sister Moore who returned from Egypt recently, on one of the troopships with invalided soldiers; she gave a most interesting account of nursing conditions there, and hopes to return shortly; she and the other sisters are awaiting orders.

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Nurse Nellie Scott at present on the staff of Stratford Hospital, is leaving soon to take up work in Timaru Hospital, as Sister.

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The building known as the National Reserve Drill Hall, close to the Hospital, in the Auckland Domain, has been handed over to the Hospital Board for a military block, it is being rapidly transformed into two wards with twenty-nine beds in each. There will also be accommodation for nine extra nurses. It is expected that the building will shortly be ready for use. We hope to give a fuller account of it and its working in our next issue.

Sister Ella Cooke has been sent to Egypt from Aldershot.

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Mrs. Grace Neill, well-known a few years ago as Assistant Inspector of Hospitals, offered her services to the Wellington Hospital Board when so many senior nurses were leaving for service abroad. Mrs. Neill was for three years Lady Superintendent of the Children's Hospital, Pendlebury, for the last five months she has been in charge of the Children's Hospital, Wellington.