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## THE EAST SUFFOLK HOSPITAL.

IPSWICH, where the British Medical Association is to meet next month, is naturally the centre of much attention at present, and as many members of this Association will, doubtless, take the opportunity of visiting its well appointed Hospital, the following account of it is of special interest. To members of the Matrons' Council this interest is increased by the fact that the Matron, Miss M. Deane, whose nursing career we publish in another column, has recently been elected a member of the Council. and, on either side of this, the present long wards were added in 1836, providing accommodation for 80 patients.

But the wants of the Town continually increasing, a children's wing was built on the South-West end of the main building in 1875. This was capable of holding 22 cots, and was erected by public subscription in memory of the late Mr. John Patteson Cobbold, M.P. In 1889, the urgent need of some place for isolation cases, made the Committee consider how some small wards at the back of the Central Block could be altered and improved, and the result is an Infectious Block shut off from the Hospital,



The East Suffolk Hospital is one of the most prominent buildings in Ipswich, standing, as it does, on the top of a hill, in a lovely garden of about two acres, and commanding a splendid view of the town, which lies in a valley beneath.

It is supported by voluntary contributions, supplemented by the interest of a certain amount of invested capital, but these at present do not provide an income at all in keeping either with the requirements, or the growing usefulness of the Institution. The Central Block of the Hospital, which has a very imposing Ionic Porch, was built in 1836, and intended to hold 40 beds; where there is every convenience for—comfortably and completely—nursing any disease of an infectious nature, which may occur in the wards. This is a great boon, as it is difficult, for some reason, to get any patient out of the General Hospital, into the Fever Hospital, who requires surgical treatment.

In 1890, the Matron at that time, Miss M. Farrow, had the building of a Chapel very much at heart, and collected money enough to enable her to present the Committee with a cheque sufficient for the purpose. The result is a beautiful little building seating about 60 people. This



