

Exmoor—sometimes lying in some straw in a cart; sometimes in a friendly motor.

The beds have just been reduced to fifty-four to allow of improved accommodation; there are eleven nurses, one day and one night Sister. The diet is liberal, both for patients and staff, and the nurses' new quarters are comfortable.

The training is varied, as the nurses have three months' work in the children's ward, three in the surgery, three in the theatre, and some weeks in the kitchen during their probation. The kitchen work is a great success, as the nurses learn the quantities of different

Susan Fortescue is President. The Association has provided new bedsteads and bedding throughout the Infirmary and lockers and chairs in the women's ward. A Private Nursing Institution in connection with the Infirmary was started about a year ago and has been a great boon to the neighbourhood. The doctors for many miles round are glad to avail themselves of the services of nurses well versed in aseptic surgery.

New sanitary towers are to be built within the next six months with bathrooms, lavatories, and sinks on each floor and a small isolation



THE MATRON'S SITTING-ROOM.

things allowed for a certain number. During these weeks they help the Matron in the store and under superintendence write diet sheets and butchers' orders, &c.

Lectures are given both by the House Surgeon and the Matron, and examinations are held by one of the visiting staff.

Dr. Mary Norris, Resident Medical Officer, has by her never failing courtesy won a name for the Infirmary which has increased its popularity in the district.

The Ladies' Association of the Infirmary was founded about eighteen months ago. Lady

ward for the nursing of diphtheria, and as there are to be four water supplies direct from the main, the nurses' daily bath will no longer be a matter for discussion.

The work of district nurses in the rural districts is no sinecure, as is evident from the account of the year's work done by Nurse Mackenzie at Troon, who has attended 240 cases and paid 3,548 visits. We are glad to note that the funds of the Association are in a satisfactory condition, there being a balance of £91 16s. at the end of the year.

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