Reflections.

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.

Many are the institutions whose claims are urgent at this season and upon which money would be well bestowed. So numerous indeed are they that it is quite impossible to attempt to enumerate them. Our illustration of a children's ward serves to show the happiness and comfort of these poor mites, many of them the waifs of London slums. Surely a trifle contributed to the of a children's hospital is well

maintenance bestowed.

Then again, in the midst of our

overdrawn by upwards of £1,000, so Christmas boxes will be more than specially welcome.

The Chelsea Hospital for Women, founded in 1871 for the treatment of poor women, and those in reduced circumstances, suffering from diseases peculiar to the sex has for many years carried on this work successfully. The death of Mrs. H. M. Everard, a great benefactress of the hospital, early this year leaves the Council with the prospect of an income considerably below the expenditure that is necessary to maintain the high standard of work that is regarded as synonymous with the Hospital. The institution has not been in debt for over twelve years, and the Council earnestly appeal to the generous public to help them to keep up this good record.

New annual subscriptions and donations should be sent to the hon. treasurer, Mr. Henry Wright, or the



A CHILDREN'S WARD AT CHRISTMAS.

joy let us not forget such institutions as the Cancer Hospital in the Fulham Road, S.W., the only special hospital in London for the treatment of this terrible disease. The Secretary, Mr. Fred W. Howell, will gratefully receive and acknowledge donation.

A deserving institution most urgently in need of assistance is the West Ham and East London Hospital at Stratford, which is situated in an area where the largest amount of distress prevails due to want of employment. The hospital serves a district with a population of about 300,000, and cases come from an area with a population of upwards of half-a-million. At the present time though its funds are economically administered its banking account is

secretary, Mr. Herbert H. Jennings, at the Hospital, Fulham Road, S.W.

Lord Ludlow, the Treasurer of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, has received £200 from "Two Governors" as a donation towards the rebuilding fund.

Sir Riley Lord, Chairman of the Building Committee of the Royal Victoria Infirmary at Newcastle, had the honour of being received by the King on Tuesday, and presented a model of the statue of Her Majesty the late Queen Victoria unveiled by the King in the grounds of the Infirmary on the occasion of the opening by His Majesty in July last.



