TERRITORIAL HOSPITALS.

1ST SOUTHERN GENERAL HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM.

Amongst Territorial hospitals none has been

more fortunate in the buildings secured than the 1st Southern Hospital, which is housed in the Birmingham University at Edgbaston, about three miles from the centre of the City, and easily accessible by the excellent service of trams. Standing on high ground, its imposing clock tower dominates the neighbourhood, a feature in the design specially desired by the late Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who for so many years represented the city in Parliament.

On entering the guarded gates we pass first the library—now used as the hospital chapel-and then passing under the clock tower, enter the main building. Over the building.

entrance doors are the calm, carved figures of those whose names are imperishable in literature, science and art. In silent wonder they survey the maimed and broken figures carried through the portals which they dominate, victims of a boasted culture whose methods

have astounded 2 the civilised world.

The handsome and spacious entrance-hall. encircled by marble columns, affords a convenient opportunity for sorting the cases on arrival. Wide corridors stretch to right and left, from which branch off wards, dispensary,

officers' quarters, &c.
The Great Hall of noble proportions immediately behind the entrance hall has now been converted into a huge ward of 150 beds, with four main subdivisions, three in the body of the hall and one on the platform, each in charge of a Sister. A mellow light is shed through the gorgeous stained glass window at the further end. Behind the plat-



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