

noiseless by being thickly padded underneath by dried grass. In the pantry the most dainty tea-trays were being prepared. Pretty china, delicately cut bread and butter, and little cakes, looked altogether most tempting. Each tray, as it comes back from the patient's room, is cleared and set ready for the next meal, and placed in its own rack. In this department was an ingenious washing-up machine and rinsers. I was informed that dust was unknown in the vicinity of the hospital. A sterilising room, that seemed out of proportion to a small hospital, was explained to be an economiser of time, as the whole of the sterilising for the day can be done in an hour. In the theatre, which is simply fitted up, the thing which called for notice was the contrivance for turning on the taps without contaminating the hands—the long, straight handles, which only cost 2s., are covered with sterilised

patients' privacy is strictly observed, so that one only caught a glimpse here and there of our heroes. There is nothing of a military character in the nurses' uniform, which is of a particularly attractive shade of mauve.

The comfort of the nursing staff is zealously watched by the Matron, to whom they owe their delightful separate bedrooms. As there is accommodation for only twenty patients, it will be observed that the hospital is very adequately staffed, but owing to the expected serious nature of the cases the nurses will have their hands full, and from what I saw and heard the patients will have all that skill and kindness can devise. There is no resident medical officer.

The Chairman of the Committee is Sir Alfred Mond, and it includes four Members of Parliament, Dr. Addison being one of them, and other well-known ladies and gentlemen. Her Majesty Queen Alexandra is Patron. H. H.

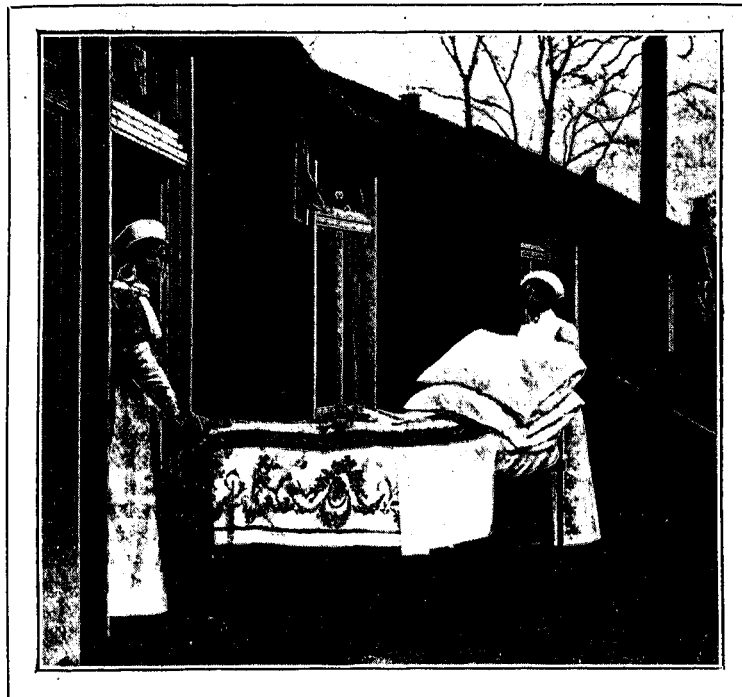


MISS SINZINEX, MATRON,

rubber tubing kept in bowls, which slip easily on when required and are returned back into the antiseptic solution. Mr. Paterson pointed out the great saving of expense by this simple contrivance, which is as effective as an elaborate and expensive mechanism. The Silent Electrical Clock Company have lent clocks throughout the building, which keep exactly the same time, so that there is no excuse for unpunctuality in the staff.

Messrs. Pryor & Part, of Sloane Street, have lent the delightfully restful furniture, soft green in tone throughout, for the officers' rest room. The

strong bactericide, it is soluble in water, and in solution it has a special solvent action on grease and mucus.



THE TERRACE, QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S HOSPITAL FOR OFFICERS, [G.P.U.]

LYCRYL.

An Antiseptic and Disinfectant fluid which is finding much favour is Lycryl, owned and manufactured by Eucryl, Ltd., 61-63, Lant Street, Southwark, S.E. An advantage of Lycryl is that it does not, like so many disinfectants, either stain the skin or corrode instruments, and used according to directions given for disinfecting the skin it has no irritant action. It is nevertheless

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