

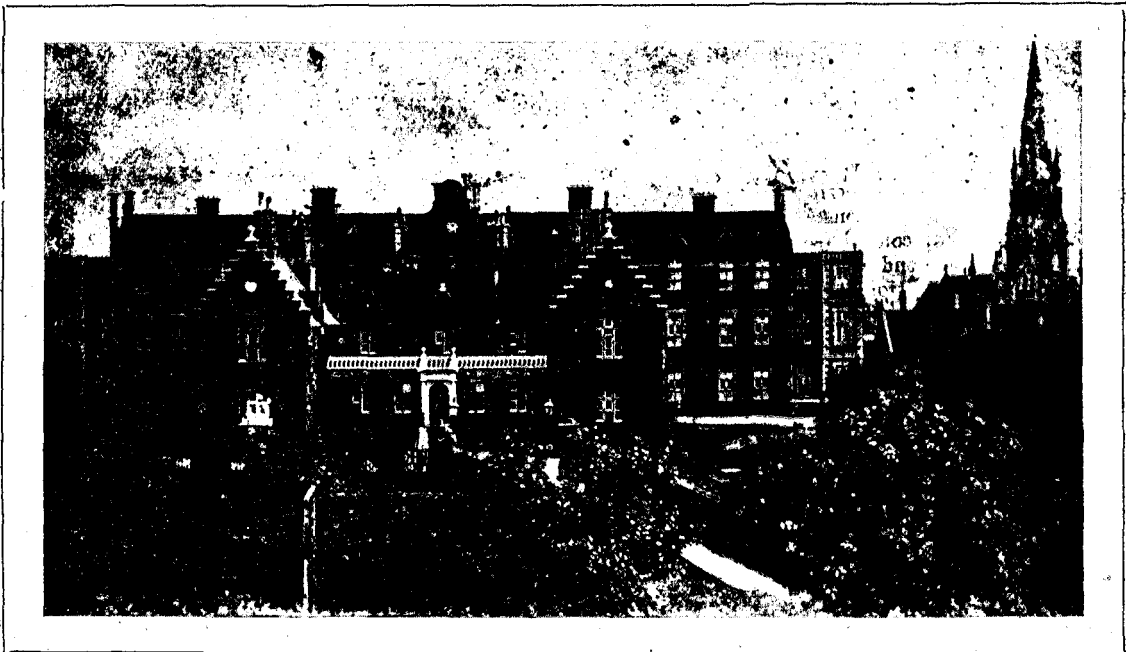
The Hospital World.

THE GERMAN HOSPITAL, DALSTON.

Great pleasure was experienced at the German Hospital, Dalston, when it became known that her Majesty the Empress of Germany would honour it with a visit. The hospital has an interesting history, as it was the first in this country to have a trained Matron and nursing staff. It was founded in 1845 for the benefit of German residents in the country, both Queen Victoria and King Frederick William, the Fourth of Prussia taking a great interest in its foundation. The Deaconess Institution at Kaiserswerth, to which nursing all over the

The Empress made many enquiries of the Chairman, who conducted her round the building, as to the work of the hospital, which now has 130 beds, 126 of which were occupied at the time of her visit.

Her Majesty first visited the Children's Ward, and delighted the little inmates by speaking individually to each child. Two of the women's wards were next visited, and here again the Empress spoke to many of the patients, and greatly pleased a poor consumptive patient by giving her a flower from the bouquet which she carried. The Empress also took great interest in the operating theatre. Before leaving she graciously accepted a beau-



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world owes so much, supplied the nursing staff at that time. It now consists of twenty Sisters, chiefly supplied by the Sarepta Deaconess Institution, and five male attendants.

When the Kaiserin arrived at the Hospital on Thursday, it was pretty to see the enthusiasm of the children of the seven German schools in London who had assembled to the number of between 500 and 600, and who cheered lustily and waved their flags as the Empress entered the hospital. Her Majesty was received by Baron Bruno von Schröder, Chairman of the Hospital, who was accompanied by the Baroness, Baron von Stumm, First Attaché to the German Embassy, Dr. Johannes, the German Consul General, and the members of the medical and surgical staff.

tiful bouquet from Baroness von Schröder, and presented a flower from it to the Head Sister. She also conversed with Sister Margaretha, a veteran Sister, who has been connected with the hospital for no less a period than fifty-six years.

On her departure, her Majesty signed the visitors' book, and left with the Chairman a welcome donation of £50 to the funds of the Hospital, which is at present £4,000 in debt.

The waiting crowds, many of whom were of German nationality, broke out into enthusiastic "Hochs" as the Imperial party left the Hospital. Her Majesty was evidently much pleased with the cordial reception accorded to her, and especially with the enthusiasm of the children, which knew no bounds.

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