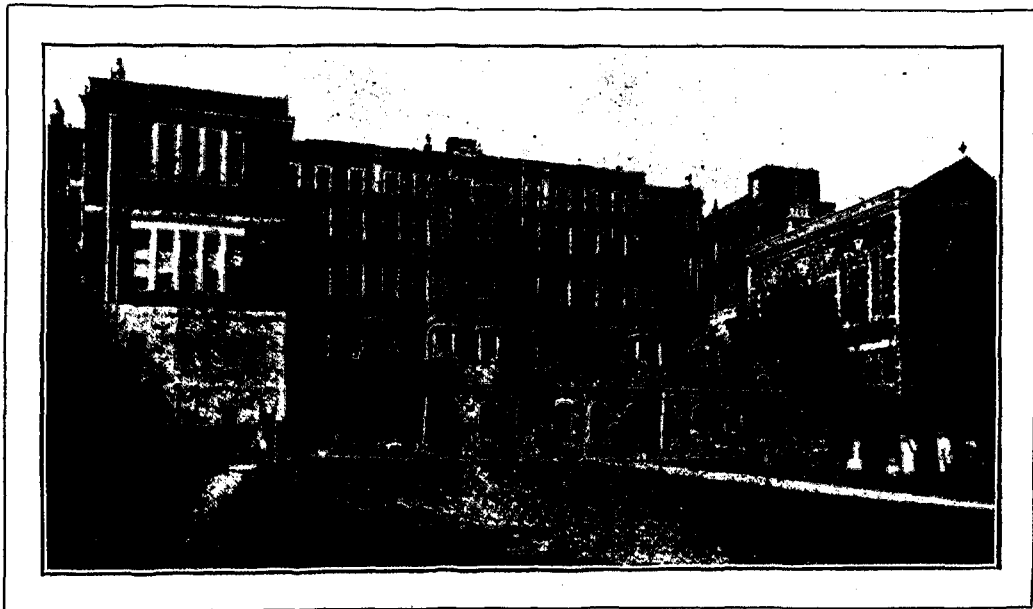


## THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

### SOME BRISTOL HOSPITALS.

Those who attend the Health Exhibition and Conference organized by the Nurses' Social Union, and now being held in the Victoria Rooms, Clifton, Bristol, will have an opportunity not only of seeing the Exhibition, which is well worth a visit, but also of obtaining a glimpse of the most interesting and picturesque city in which it is held. Authentic records of the city date back to Saxon times, and some enthusiasts place the date of its foundation as

of good work is being done in the Infirmary at the present time, but it is done at a disadvantage in a hospital built, as an old minute records, to "last for ever," and the new surgical pavilions are no doubt the first instalment of a thoroughly modern hospital, worthy in every way of a city noted for its generosity and philanthropy. At the present time the Secretary, Mr. W. E. Budgett, and the Matron, Miss A. B. Baillie, must have their hands exceedingly full, for the whole of the new block has to be furnished and got into working order considerably sooner than was anticipated, but there was



THE ROYAL INFIRMARY, BRISTOL.

far back as 390 B.C. As an important port, cathedral city, manufacturing centre, set in fair surroundings, including the lovely suburb of Clifton, with its far-famed suspension bridge, Bristol will repay a prolonged visit.

Nurses will naturally wish to see something of its hospitals. Chief of these are

### THE ROYAL INFIRMARY.

The Royal Infirmary, the largest of the general hospitals of the city, with 270 beds and an important training school for nurses, is at present adding a new surgical wing for the reception of 180 additional patients, as well as operating theatres and a casualty department, as the city's King Edward VII Memorial. The new buildings, on the opposite side of the road to the present Infirmary, are to be opened by His Majesty the King, who will be accompanied by the Queen, on the 28th inst. A great amount

no hint of hurry about Miss Baillie when, in her pretty sitting-room, with its restful chintzes and pleasant outlook, she described some of the details of the training system to the representative of this Journal. The term of training is for the period of three years. There is an entrance fee of £3 3s., and, in the case of probationers received for three years only, an inclusive fee of 26 guineas is payable during the first three months. This fee is not required of those who remain in the service of the Infirmary for a fourth year. There is a private nursing staff connected with the Infirmary, or nurses can, if they wish, work on the co-operative system, taking their own fees, less 10 per cent.

During their training the nurses have the privilege, if they so desire, of preparation for the examinations of the Central Midwives' Board and the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses. No fee is charged to probationers

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