

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

ELPIS, DUBLIN.

A visit to Dublin would be very incomplete without a glimpse of Elpis, the Home for Private Patients situated in Lower Mount Street, owned and superintended by Miss M. Huxley and Mrs. Manning. From the first one feels it would be good, if one had the misfortune to be ill, to be cared for here. One is received in a well appointed waiting room just off the spacious hall by a cheery Sister,

and the heavy expenses of illness, and at Elpis the charges for all the accommodation and care received appear to be so exceedingly moderate, that one inclines to think it would be worth while to cross the Irish Channel for an operation, if some weeks' care were likely to be needed afterwards.

Elpis has two operating theatres, specially designed and built for the Home, one of which is painted green, as one of the surgeons who frequently uses it considers that it is much less trying to the eyes of the operator than white.



MISS HUXLEY. MRS. MANNING.
THE NURSING STAFF AT ELPIS.

and is at home at once; the patients' rooms are cheerful, comfortable, airy, and homelike, whilst arranged in strict accordance with hygienic principles, the nursing staff is alert, neat, competent and professional in appearance, and with Miss Huxley and Mrs. Manning as towers of strength, and possessed of an unlimited fund of cheerfulness and optimism, what more could one desire in one's hour of weakness? Only this, that one should not be harassed by the thought of a limited purse,

For the same reason the sheets with which the patients are covered on the table are coloured green, by a process arranged by Miss Thornton. A very practical ether stand, also designed by Miss Thornton is in use in the theatre in which three different solutions can be handed, at the same time, to the surgeon who is doing the final skin preparation before the operation.

A lift connects the different floors of the Home, and the rooms open off a corridor, which lightens the work of the nurses. At the back

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