

The Midwife.

EAST END MOTHERS' LYING-IN HOME.

Queen Amelie of Portugal was present at the Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the East End Mothers' Lying-in Home, which took place on Wednesday, May 12th, at 396, Commercial Road.

Always a pleasant little function, the Meeting this year was particularly happy and very well attended.

The chair was taken by Dr. Owen Lankester, Chairman of the Home. He was, he said, proud

husband, whose wife was brought into the Home at the point of death, but thanks to the care she received, left it a month later, well, and with a "bright little daughter." Another mother who has been a patient many times (each confinement being worse than the last) compares Miss Anderson to Lord Kitchener. "He has done wonders for the men" she writes "and Miss Anderson has done wonders for us women. She understands each one and thinks for all." With a few charming words of thanks to the Medical Officers and the



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MISS ANDERSON, MATRON, STAFF AND PUPILS.

to welcome Her Majesty Queen Amelie, and his Committee fully appreciated the honour paid to them and the Home by Her Majesty's presence there that afternoon. Dr. Lankester reported another most successful year's work, and spoke of the improvements made in the Home since the last Annual Meeting. He was unstinting in his praise of Miss Anderson, the Lady Superintendent, to whom, in a great measure is due the success of the Institution not only as a Lying-in Home, but as a training School for Midwives and Maternity Nurses. He asked permission to read two of the many appreciative letters which are being constantly received. One was from a grateful

Nurses who have worked so cheerfully and untiringly for the sake of the 1,545 mothers attended last year, the Chairman concluded his speech.

Queen Amelie, who was received with great applause, proposed a resolution recommending wider financial support for an Institution so eminently deserving. She wished she could express all the sympathy and deep admiration she felt for the work of love and mercy carried on in the Home. The difficulties had been increased by this awful and glorious war. Help is needed for the wife while her husband is fighting, and for the young lives, which later on must take the place

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