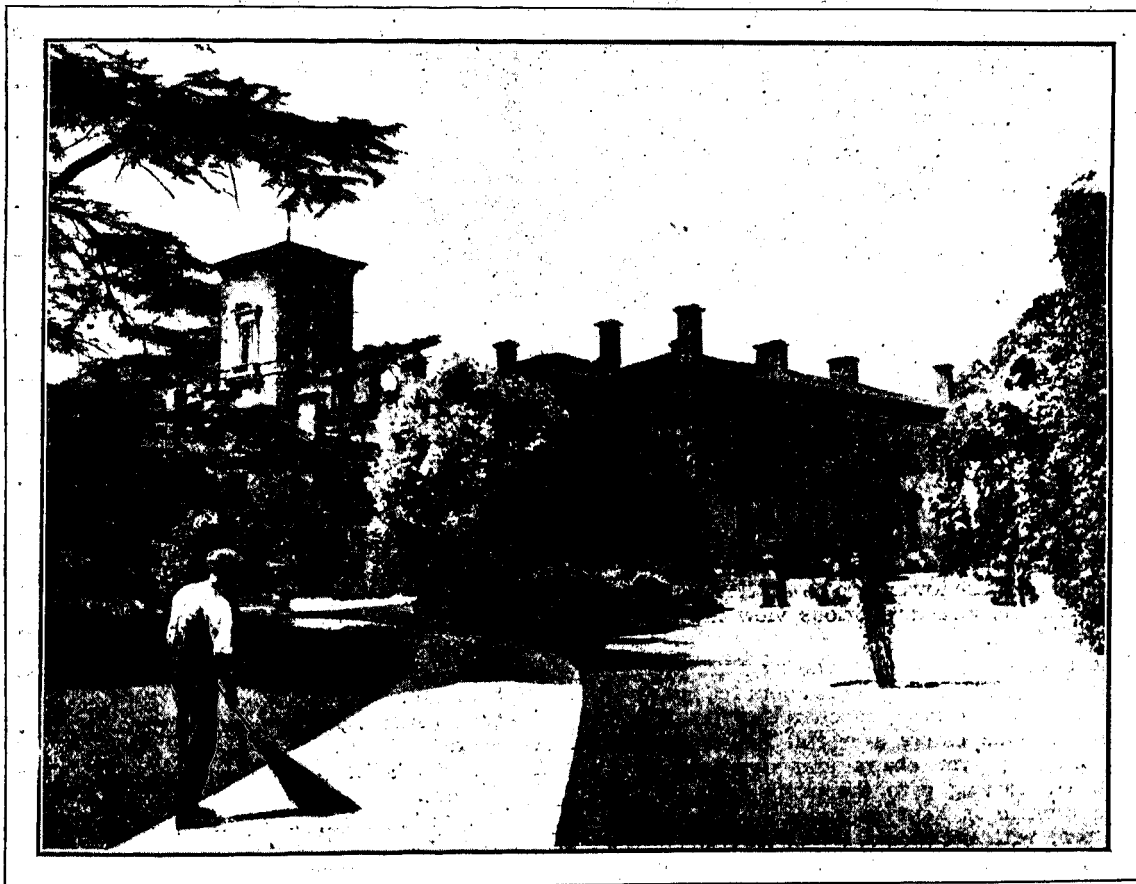


THE NEW ZEALAND WAR CONTINGENT HOSPITAL.

The New Zealand War Contingent Association was fortunate indeed to find within eighteen miles of London so suitable a house, so ideally situated, for the hospital which it has organised for sick and wounded New Zealanders, as Mount Felix, Walton-on-Thames. On the banks of the river, in spacious well-kept grounds, the views from the windows overlooking lovely reaches of the Thames must be a constant delight to those who

an appreciative eye, and more also, for it is evident that much thought has been expended on fundamentals, and the hospital bears the impress of expert and thorough work. Baths, basins, slop sinks, sanitary conveniences have been judiciously added in liberal numbers. Walls have been freshly distempered, linen in orderly piles, and blankets from New Zealand of the renowned wool of the Dominion, fill the well-stocked linen cupboards. But there is no lavish expenditure on non-essentials, for the hospital is after all—let us hope—only temporary. If the lockers are of white wood—and well made



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find hospitality in this haven of rest, whether from the battlefields of France or the shell-riddled slopes of Gallipoli.

An immense amount of work and much organising ability must underlie the transformation of a private house into this hospital for the reception of the sick.

The ordinary visitor cannot fail to be charmed by the spotless wards, with their bright quilts and screens in shades that tone, the French windows—wide set to admit the sweet air—overlooking one of the fairest views in the kingdom. The professional visitor sees all this with

at that—the beds are of the best, just the right height from the ground, with good hair mattresses and comfortable pillows. The operating theatre is excellently arranged and furnished.

Then much consideration has been given to the food, and the cook responsible for its preparation and serving is of the best, so life goes smoothly and happily for the New Zealand "boys" who are well enough to appreciate their surroundings, and, for the rest, all that skill and care can achieve is being done to ensure their speedy convalescence.

The Chairman of the Committee is Lord Plun-

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