

CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

The King and Queen, on Saturday last, paid an informal visit to the West Ham Hospital, where a number of men wounded in the recent fighting in France are now being cared for. The King, with the Sister, went down one side of the ward, speaking to the men, and the Queen, with the Matron, Miss Sordy, proceeded up the opposite side.

The Queen has provided out of a fund placed at her disposal a workshop at the Pavilion Military Hospital, Brighton, for the men now there who have lost their limbs in the war. The building, will be known as "Queen Mary's Workshop."

Queen Alexandra, attended by the Hon. Charlotte Knollys, visited the sick and wounded soldiers at the Military Hospital, Endell Street, last Saturday afternoon.

The Manor Asylum, Epsom, under the L.C.C., is being emptied of patients and prepared for use as a war hospital. The patients are being removed to other County of London asylums, and some 200 suitable cases will be sent to the asylums of the Metropolitan Asylums Board. As in the case of the Horton asylum, the Army Council has undertaken to meet all charges in connection with the adaptation of the building for hospital purposes, the maintenance and repair of the premises, the re-instatement of the premises at the end of occupation and the additional equipment found to be necessary. The Army Council will also refund all expenses connected with the administration of the hospital and with the transfer of the patients.

Sir William Collins, after a visit to the Western front in October, 1914, on behalf of the British Red Cross Society, and the Wounded Allies Relief Committee, urged that "a motor vehicle fitted up



THE MAHARANI TAKING HER BABY FROM HIS NURSE, WHOM SHE ASKED TO ATTEND THE SOLDIERS.

At a Chapter-General of the Order of St. John, held at St. John's Gate last week, Lord Plymouth, the Sub-Prior, presented gold life-saving medals of the Order to Major Harold Edgar Priestley, C.M.G., R.A.M.C., and Captain Alan Cunliffe Vidal, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., in recognition of the gallantry displayed by them at the Wittenberg Camp. Captain James La Fayette Lauder, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., was prevented by military duties abroad from attending to receive a similar medal. Lord Plymouth also presented a silver medal to Mrs. Selby for conspicuous bravery.

Colonel Bruce Porter, Commanding Officer of No. 3 General Hospital, London T.F., with Major Parsons, Commanding Officer of Fulham Military Hospital, with a number of Orderlies, have left for Mesopotamia, Colonel Bruce Porter being appointed to the charge of an hospital of 1,040 beds. We understand that Sisters of the Indian Military Nursing Service will join the contingent on their arrival in India.

with a field theatre or surgery would be of immense service in securing the earliest practicable attention to wounds, thus reducing the number of those infected and offensive arriving at the base."

The Wounded Allies Relief Committee appointed Lady Markham, who was deeply interested in the scheme, Sir William Collins and Mr. Walford, whose skilled engineering knowledge was of immense service, a Sub-Committee, to devise and contrive a motor Field Surgery and Operating Theatre. The result is seen in the Motor Field Operating Theatre which the Wounded Allies Relief Committee is presenting to Italy, and which is the first of a new type of war service vehicle. The idea of this new vehicle is to provide a fully-equipped operating theatre or surgery, as nearly as practicable resembling that of a first-class hospital, at points immediately behind the firing-line, where both major and minor operations can be carried out, more particularly for cases in which transport for long distance might mean almost

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