

shall be designated as Staff Nurses; and that the services of any Probationer Nurse may be dispensed with who fails, within a reasonable time, to qualify for confirmation and promotion to be a Staff Nurse.

In certain cases the designation of "Asylum" is to be changed to "Mental Hospital," a decision greatly to be commended.

It has also been decided, in connection with the Fever and Children's Hospitals, "that arrangements be made for taking a direct ballot of the Hospital Nursing Staff as to (1) whether in arranging the shortening of the

sent 2s. a day), leaving at least 26s. a week as commencing pay, with opportunities of promotion and increased pay and ultimate pensions.

The Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, has had a splendid gift, on the closing down of the King George Hospital in Stamford Street, including 300 sheets, 300 draw-sheets, 300 pillow-cases, and 100 blankets, 50 lockers, not to mention sterilising drums, anti-septic boxes, bed-tables, screens and covers, lounge chairs, folding-up chairs, knives and forks, etc. Just imagine that for a hospital where the Committee have to weigh carefully



EAST END CHILDREN ON THE SEASHORE AT BEXHILL.

working hours they prefer the scheme based on a 48 hours' working week, or that based on a 50 hours' week; and (2) whether they wish to be paid at inclusive cash rates, subject to deductions for emoluments received in kind, and at weekly or monthly intervals, and that the views of the majority on these points be adopted.

In the London County Mental Hospitals probationers are now appointed on the following terms. Salary, 32s. a week (and at present 15s. war wages), rising to 39s. 11d. per week, and uniform. Nurses pay for residence and washing (7s. 8d. per week) and board (at pre-

every penny of expenditure, as Committees should do. It sounds more like Aladdin than the twentieth century, but Red Cross motors, a product of the present century, were the vehicles conveying the gift.

Our illustration, for which we are indebted to the authorities of the hospital, shows some of the little East End patients at the Little Folks Home at Bexhill, the seaside branch of the Queen's Hospital for Children. It makes one feel cooler in these torrid days to see the children playing on the seashore; and just think what it must mean to delicate children from East End slums, so please, dear readers, interest your friends in the Home, so that it may be well supported.

[previous page](#)

[next page](#)