

## THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

The Queen, during her stay at Moy Hall, visited the Northern Infirmary, Inverness, where she was received by Provost Sir Donald Macdonald, Lady Macdonald, the directors, and the medical staff. Miss A. C. Sutherland, the matron, presented to Her Majesty a bouquet of pink roses. The Queen gave great pleasure by visiting each cot in turn in the children's ward and speaking to the children individually.

Mr. William Asch, of South Audley Street, W., left £250 to the German Hospital, Dalston; £200 each to the London Hospital, Middlesex Hospital, St. George's Hospital, King's College Hospital, Queen Charlotte's Lying-in Hospital, the Hospital for Children, Great Ormond Street, Brompton Hospital for Consumptives, Cancer Hospital, Fulham Road, and the National Hospital for the Paralysed and Epileptic; £100 each to the Seamen's Hospital Society, Greenwich, and Poplar Hospital for Accidents. He also left, amongst many other bequests, £100 to Eric Alven, of Hinde Street, W., and if he should still be acting as his masseur, two carved ivory figures.

Mrs. Amy Rice Reed, of the Shrubbery, Caze-nove Road, Stamford Hill, N., bequeathed £1,000 to the Queen's Hospital for Children; £500 each to the Metropolitan Hospital, Dalston, Prince of Wales General Hospital, Tottenham, and St. Dunstan's Hostel for Blinded Soldiers.

Liverpool hospitals benefit substantially under the will of the late Mr. Edward Hatton Cookson, of that city. He bequeathed £1,000 to the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool; £500 each to the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, and the East Liverpool Day Nursery; and £200 each to the Infirmary for Children, Liverpool, and the Dental Hospital, Liverpool.

Lord Buxton, the President, and Mr. C. Srase Dickens, Chairman of the Royal Sussex County Hospital, have issued a strong appeal on its behalf. Its available funds are completely exhausted, and two courses are open to it—to carry on and incur further debt, or to close down beds and restrict the work generally. The former they are not justified in doing, the latter they must do unless they are provided with the means to carry on. To get square at the end of the year there is needed £10,000.

Gifts of money and goods in aid of the bazaar for the new Nurses' Home at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, to be held on November 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, may be sent to the Matron, Miss M. E. Sparshott, R.R.C., at the Infirmary. The Home will cost £100,000, and the bazaar is an effort to raise the first £10,000 of that amount.

When the new infirmary was built—now some thirteen years ago—accommodation was provided

for 180 nurses, but since then the work has so increased that many of the nurses have to lodge outside. Also it is desired to reduce the hours on duty of the nurses, and this again means an increased staff and consequently need for further accommodation.

The Directors of the Royal Infirmary, Dundee, are keenly anxious that a scheme for an extension of their operating theatre may receive sufficient financial support to enable them to proceed with this urgently needed addition.

Plans of the extension scheme, drawn up by Mr. James Findlay, architect, have had the approval of the Directors, and the cost is estimated at between £15,000 and £20,000. The plans incorporate the reconstruction of the central block of the Caird building, and its enlargement "fanwise" towards the rear of the Dalgleish and Gilroy Nurses' Homes. The ground floor of the extension consists of two large operating theatres, each of 16,500 cubic feet, with an up-to-date sterilising room between, anæsthetic rooms adjoining, while the existing erection is to be re-arranged and formed into a wash-up room, with bath and lavatory accommodation. There is also an instrument room, a bandage room, and an apartment for the nurse in charge. On the basement of the same plan outline there is a spacious X-ray room, which is an essential adjunct of the theatre, and it is found to be possible, with only a proportion of additional excavation, to make two large lecture rooms for the use of students below the operating theatres. These have separate entrances, which permit of students to attend without proceeding through the corridors of the main infirmary building.

### NOT FORGOTTEN.

The first party of sick and maimed sailors, soldiers, and airmen (120 in all) from various London Hospitals, who, on the invitation of the King and Queen, spent a happy afternoon in the grounds, and, owing to the inclement weather, in the Royal Riding School at Buckingham Palace last week, were received by Mr. H. P. Hansell on behalf of their Majesties and Princess Mary, and by Miss Marta Cunningham, on behalf of the Not Forgotten Association, which conveyed them to the Palace.

The following message received by telegram from Balmoral and read by Mr. Hansell, gave great pleasure:

"I am commanded by their Majesties, and by Princess Mary, to offer you a special greeting, and to say what a pleasure it is to them to be able to do something towards brightening the days of those who are still suffering from the cruel hand of war. You are much in the thoughts of the King and Queen, and of Her Royal Highness, who send you every good wish for a happy afternoon in the garden of their Majesties' London home.—  
EQUERRY-IN-WAITING."

A suitable reply was telegraphed to their Majesties.

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