THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

The King has sent his annual contribution of ten guineas to the Treloar Crippled Children's Christmas Hamper Fund.

Prince Henry, on a recent visit to the Potteries, opened new extensions at the Staffordshire Royal Infirmary. The new buildings, which have cost £180,000, include new wards, increasing the accommodation from 304 beds to 346; a new X-ray department; a new nurses' home, providing for 65 more nurses; a new laundry, designed to wash 35,000 pieces a week; and a new kitchen boiler house and destructor. The Prince also laid the foundation stone of the new Burslem and Tunstall War Memorial Hospital.

The Lord Chancellor, Viscount Cave, opening a new reception hospital at St. Andrew's Hospital for Mental Diseases, recently, said that the system of placing mental patients in a special atmosphere in a place where there was every facility for examination and curative treatment had many advantages. Among others, it encouraged persons who knew—for many of them did know—that they stood in danger of mental aberration to submit to a voluntary course of treatment without the distasteful process of certification under the law. That was a good thing, and he had every hope that the system of voluntary submission to treatment might be extended before long to the county hospitals by legislation.

SUN TREATMENT IN ENGLAND.

Interesting as it is to read the accounts and see the photographs of Dr. Rollier's Clinic at Leysin, it is also good to realise that excellent work on the same lines is being carried out in many of our institutions in England, and particularly after a summer such as we have just had it is wonderful to see the curative effects of open air and light treatment.

A few weeks ago I was taken over the Savernake Cottage Hospital in Wilts, and shown the beautiful new wards for crippled children they have recently added to the original hospital, where, on the edge of the Forest, the children are able to have the necessary orthopædic treatment, and yet be within visiting distance of their own people. It was a quite unforgettable picture to see sun "babies" outside their ward (which, with its three sides of glass, looked rather like a greenhouse). Some were in their cots, with little movable screens attached to keep the sun from their eyes, others running about, others contentedly digging in a large sand heap, all clad (?) in little white pants, and not much else, though I was told they have woollies for the cold wet days and evenings. On the day I was there a glorious October sun was shining and the beech trees turning bronze with their smooth grey trunks were all around us. We talked, too, to a little group of boy patients who, besides these sun-wards and shelters, can, when able, go into the same entrancing forest, and watch some dead forest tree being cut down and sawn up for timber for the winter fires. In addition to the children's wards, the main block of hospital buildings has men's ward, women's ward, small special wards, operating theatre, dental theatre and recovery room, X-ray, and out patients' departments—so the Matron (Miss Lavington) has ample scope for her wonderful energy, also material for teaching her nurses and "pros." The local Voluntary Aid Detachment also give much valuable assistance to the hospital, so that the work runs smoothly, yet would certainly prove an "eye opener" to the people who still think small hospitals are quiet little places. In addition to the local cases endless motorists have occasion to bless (and, we hope, recompense) the kindly doctors and matron who attend E. M. CANCELLOR. them there.

APPOINTMENTS.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Birmingham and Midland Homeopathic Hospital and Dispensary, Birmingham.—Miss A. E. Wimblett, S.R.N., has been appointed Lady Superintendent. She was trained at the General Hospital, Birmingham, and has since been Assistant Matron at the General Hospital, Kettering.

MATRON.

County Borough Maternity Home, Grimsby.—Miss M. L. Archer, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Hom copathic Hospital and the General Lying-in Hospital, London; and has since been Staff Nurse at the General Lying-in Hospital, and Assistant Matron at the Municipal Maternity Home Cottingham, East Yorkshire.

Infectious Diseases Joint Hospital, Circnester.-Miss D. A. Sadd, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Whipps Cross Hospital, Leytonstone, and at the G.ays Isolation Hospital, Essex; and has since been Senior Sister at the City Hospital, Gloucester; Night Sister at Standish House, Gloucester; Home Sister at the Kent County Sanatorium; and Senior Sister and Matron's Deputy at the Isolation Hospital,

Gynæcological and Children's Branch, St. Mary's Hospitals, Manchester.—Miss Christina King Lees, R.G.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and has since been Assistant Matron and Home Sister

at the Royal Maternity and Women's Hospital, Glasgow.

Long Ashton Isolation Hospital, Flax Bourton, Bristol.—

Miss E. B. Hay, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and at the Isolation trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bristol, and at the Isolation Hospital, Plaistow; and has been Surgical Sister at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children and Women, Bristol; and Ward Sister at the Royal Liverpool Babies' Hospital. Miss Hay has also done private nursing.

Isolation Hospital, Stafford.—Miss Kathleen Baldwin has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, and has held the post of Assistant Matron at the Bucknall Infectious Diseases Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

West Ham Mental Hospital, Goodmayes, near Ilford, Essex.—Miss F. A. Ledbury, F.B.C.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She received her general training at the Wolverhampton and Staffordshire General Hospital, and her mental training at the Cheddleton Mental Hospital, Leek, Staffs. Miss Ledbury has held the post of Night Sister at the Cardiff City Mental Hospital.

SISTER HOUSEKEEPER.

Royal South Hants' Hospital, Southampton.—Miss A. Brown, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Housekeeper. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Stockport, and has since been Ward Sister at the Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham; and has also been attached to the East Sussex County Nursing Association. Miss Brown has taken a Housekeeping Course at the City of London Hospital, Victoria Park, and is trained in the nursing of Tuberculosis. She is a certified Midwife.

The Queen's Hospital, Birmingham.—Miss A Wiggins, S.R.N., has been appointed Housekeeping Sister. She was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and took Housekeeping training at the Royal Infirmary, Bradford. Miss Wiggins has since been Assistant Housekeeper at University College Hospital, and the Hospital for Englisher and Bornival. and Assistant Matron at the Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, Maida Vale, London.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Holgate Hospital, Middlesbrough.—Miss S. Jones, S.R.N., has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at Harton Hospital, South Shields, where she was later Ward Sister. Miss Jones has also been Ward Sister at the Alder Hey Hospital, Liverpool; Charge Nurse at the Poor Law Infirmary, Bishop Auckland; and Pupil Midwife and Staff Nurse at the Municipal Maternity Home, Bradford.

PRESENTATION.

On the afternoon of Monday, October 17th, some hundreds of the Staff at Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, assembled in the hall to offer to their late Matron, Miss Mary Winmill, F.B.C.N., an expression of affectionate appreciation

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