THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

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The fairy Godmother of the hospital seems just now in the ascendant for Mr. Bernhard Baron, who recently gave £10,000 toward the cost of a new pathological department, has now given £25,000 for its endowment.

Her Majesty was received by Lord Riddell (President), and Mr. Alfred Langton (Chairman of the Hospital), and amongst the presentations made to her were those of Mr. Reginald Garrett (Secretary), Miss Gertrude M. Bulman (Matron), and Miss E. M. Hart (Assistant Matron).

The Queen gave much pleasure by permitting the new centenary building to be named "The Queen Mary Wing." A charming incident in one of the general wards was the spontaneous offering of a flower by a little child to Her Majesty.

Princess Mary, Viscountess Lascelles, will be present at the meeting at the Mansion House on Tuesday, March 8th, in support of the work of the British Hospital for Mothers and Babies at Woolwich, of which Her Royal Highness is President.

Princess Mary will lay the foundation stone of the new Nurses' Home at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, on May 14th.

Prince George, who presided at the Annual Court of Governors of the Seamen's Hospital Society, at the Hotel Cecil, after stating that he was taking the Chair in the place of his brother, the Duke of York, and describing the short history of the seaman who arrives sick or injured in the Port of London, said:—

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"I am myself a sailor, and I have only lately come back from the East; the work of the branch of the society called the Hospital for Tropical Diseases is, therefore, particularly interesting to me. These diseases are a special field of medical activity. The sailor is peculiarly exposed to them on his voyage to India and the Far East. It is a great thing to know there is this hospital where he can receive the particular treatment required, and, again, the benefit of the expert skill of its medical and nursing staff. When I was at the Royal Naval College at Greenwich, I took the opportunity of visiting the Dreadnought Hospital, which is next door to it. I went round the wards with the chairman, and I heard and saw a great deal that interested me very much. Both Royal Naval and Merchant seamen, I was told, are admitted to the hospital. It struck me as a place that did great credit to the nursing and administrative staff, and also to the board of management, which includes many officers of the Royal Navy and the Mercantile Marine. It looked to me a most well-kept bright, efficient place; in, fact, it looked as if it would satisfy the commander of a battleship; and that is the highest praise an officer of His Majesty's Navy can give to any shoregoing establishment."

The Prince warmly commended the work of the Society to the support of those present.

At a luncheon given by the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House on March 1st, Lord Stanmore, Treasurer of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, explained the structural extensions, sanctioned last December by the Court of Governors, which include five new operating theatres and the new surgical wards, the total cost of which is estimated at £200,000.

Sir Berkeley Moynihan, President of the Royal College

The Queen will lay the foundation-stone of the Nurses' Home at the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, on Friday, March 11th, at 3 p.m. The Home has for long been badly needed.

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