

A SPECIAL effort is being made just now to extend the work of the Leeds District Nurses Association, which has for its object the extension to the very poor of the benefits which the well-to-do derive from the local Trained Nurses Institution. There are at present only seven Nurses to meet the wants of the whole of the immense population of poor in Leeds. Last year the little band paid over 20,000 visits; but to meet the demands of the town, the Institution needs to have its subscription list trebled. At present it only amounts to £571. The Committee are working hard to increase the list, and have in view the acquisition of permanent premises for the headquarters of the Association, and the opening of a branch home at Holbeck.

THAT excellent charity, the Poplar Hospital for Accidents, is anxious to extend its usefulness by increasing its accommodation, and I hope its appeal will be generously responded to. This Hospital is situated close to the Dock gates, close to great iron works, close to the largest gas-works in London, and to many other large works. More accidents occur in this district than in any other, and the Hospital is an absolute necessity. Yet, during this last year, no less than fifty-six men and children, requiring immediate admission and

attention, have had to be refused owing to want of room. This refusal means the carrying of a man, often with broken limbs or fractured skull, for over two miles to the nearest Hospital—i.e., the London. Added to this, the refusal to admit women and children (there is no Women's Ward, and very little accommodation for children), however severely injured, has become too painful to be continued any longer. Before they commence the new building, the Committee are determined to ask the richer public to help the poorer women in this East End district. It will cost £5,000 more to complete all that is needed, and to found the nucleus of an endowment fund. Contributions, made payable to the "Poplar Hospital," may be sent to the Hon. SYDNEY HOLLAND, Chairman of the Committee, Poplar Hospital, Blackwall, E.

THE inmates of the London Central Sick Asylum, Cleveland Street, W., had a capital treat afforded them on the evening of January 11, through the kindness of their esteemed chaplain (Rev. C. P. BAXTER). At the commencement of the proceedings, Mr. HOBBS (Chairman of the Board) explained, in a few appropriate words that the Cardiff National Welsh Choir, under the direction of Mr. C. EMLYN JONES, had come to

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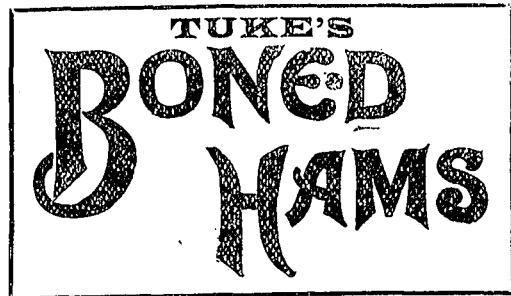
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