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To quote further from Professor D. F. Fraser Harris in literature courteously presented : "Now it is an elementary fact of clinical medicine that the drier and warmer the air which a bronchitic patient breathes, the more comfortable will he be, for damp, cold air is notoriously bad for bronchitis. (I am not forgetting that in the early stage of bronchitis a steam-laden atmosphere is soothing.)

' In the Duke-Fingard treatment of respiratory diseases, not only is the air to be breathed laden with vaporised, non-irritating antiseptic, but it is dried and warmed before being medicated.'

The beds provide for the treatment of cases during the night; if a patient cannot spare time during the day they may be treated from 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.; the treatment will induce natural sleep, which they seldom have.

The courses vary in length from two to eight weeks and sometimes longer.

and the first case to be treated in this country four and a half years ago.

The nursing staff engaged at the clinic so far is one night and two day nurses.

The members of the class having spent a very instructive tour of the Duke-Fingard Clinic, expressed warm thanks to Sir Harold Fawcus, the Medical Director, and to the Secretary, Miss Barbara Beresford, for their great courtesy and kindness during the visit, and feel they will ever remember with gratitude the valuable instruction they received in this wonderful treatment, so great an advance for the benefit of mankind in the future.

It is interesting to learn from a publication by Professor D. F. Fraser Harris, B.Sc., Lond., M.D., D.Sc., F.R.S.E., that Mr. David Fingard is not a physician, but a chemist, and that he is responsible for this therapeutic contribution to clinic medicine. A. S. B.



PATIENTS DURING THE PROCESS OF TREATMENT. Apparatus silently diffusing its curative properties.

The hours of treatment :-

Day patients, men, three sessions daily, ranging from 9.30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; for women, three sessions daily, ranging room 9.30 a.m. and 9 p.m.; for children, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tea and coffee is served between the sessions.

The hours for night patients, both men and women, 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. A light breakfast is supplied.

On passing to the first floor, there is a very pleasant lounge, where patients stay for an hour to cool off after treatment, to avoid taking cold.

In a remarkable light basement (not underground) there are dressing-rooms in which patients may leave their outdoor clothing, a pleasant staff dining-room, and a kitchen looking on to a gaiden.

It was of especial interest to meet the mechanic, who proudly claimed the distinction of being a "cure," now a healthy, hearty man, who prior to the Duke-Fingard Treatment was a great sufferer ever since the Great War

CHILDREN'S WARD OPENED,

A new department at the Duke-Fingard clinic was dedicated on Friday, July 7th, to the treatment of children.

The clinic was made possible through the kindness of Lord Bearsted, who recently officiated at the opening. After an announcement that a new ward would be opened for children, applications came in such numbers that a ward was quickly filled to capacity, and will be packed for months to come. The clinic, where some 120 adult patients a day are treated, is maintained by voluntary subscriptions, and it is hoped soon to have an institution devoted entirely to the treatment of children.

This is good news, as parents who watch the suffering of their children, whom they are unable to relieve, will, we feel sure, gladly support the clinic with funds with which to promote its beneficent work.



