

one for the men and one for the women. Long corridors run through these wings, and opening on to them are the rooms. The building is much like an up-to-date hotel. The rooms are all neatly furnished and the wide and shining corridors filled with comfortable chairs and growing plants and flowers. The presence of so many flowers is particularly noticeable. Throughout the entire building they are to be seen everywhere, adding a touch of cheerfulness to the surroundings. Each corridor has its own dining room, neat and clean in every particular. New serving rooms for each dining room have just been completed. Finished in tile, with shining porcelain tables and white ice-boxes, they are most sanitary and inviting in appearance. This is a very recent improvement which Dr. Ryan has just had installed.

No Locked Rooms.

Throughout the entire building there is not a single locked room. Corridor doors of course, must be kept locked to prevent patients from straying through the building, but patients are never kept closed up in rooms or cells of any kind. They are free to come and go from their rooms to the main corridor, to walk about and mingle with each other, always under the watchful supervision of the nurses on duty.

Nurses in Charge of Men.

A surprising feature was to see nurses, youthful but efficient young women, on duty in wards and corridors with male patients. This practice was introduced for the first time in America in Rockwood Hospital some years ago, and Dr. Ryan reports that there has never been a single instance of a patient attacking or molesting a nurse. Care and attention, kindness and gentility are the measures used at Rockwood and they have proved wonderfully successful. There is no noise in the building; no disturbances or uproar as might be expected, but everything is peaceful and quiet. The strictest discipline, essential in such an institution, is always maintained, and every attendant, male or female, knows at all times the exact rules that must be followed. There are several smaller buildings also in which patients are kept and these are just as complete and modern as the main one. The kitchen is a revelation. It is a very large hall, equipped with the most up-to-date stoves, boilers, steam carving tables and other requisites such as are to be found only in the large hotels in the big cities. The same cleanliness and neatness