

The outdoor department, or polyclinic, as it is called, is under the direction of Prof. Gudden. His position is filled directly by the University without reference to the Government. This is interesting in view of the relationship existing between Government, City and University in the organization of the Clinic.

The site of the building was given by the City of Munich, the only reservation made being that city patients should receive a preference in case any question of this kind should come up. The Clinic was erected by the Bavarian Government and the officials are Government appointees. At the same time many of these officials are on the University staff; indeed Prof. Kraepelin is Dean of the Medical Faculty of the University. No appointment is made to the staff by the Government without the recommendation of the director. Of course this works out that no one is appointed who is not *persona grata* both to Government and University. It is universally recognized that the scientific side of the work is the important one, and men who combine executive and scientific ability are looked for.

So celebrated has the Munich Clinic become that visitors reach it from all over the world, and so great is the ambition to get on its staff that its voluntary assistants may be selected from the very best of the graduates. While we were there several foreigners were present; two even from Brazil. Americans, of course, have gone there frequently, but the Munich idea is that if any young man from abroad wishes to get what is best, he must have more than a fragmentary knowledge of German. If he has not this, there is much time lost; in other words, he should not go to Munich to acquire German, but to learn psychiatry. There appears to be a good deal of common sense in this style of reasoning. Above all, the visitor should be a student in the broadest sense, with his eye closed to the social seductions of this fascinating town, and if possible his mouth closed to the equally