

ports from his house surgeons as he went along. Six house surgeons accompanied him. His assistants seem to stand in awe of him, and he never spoke excepting to find fault. After the ward visit, several operations were performed in the theatre.

At the Charité hospital, one visited the clinic of Professor Hildebrandt, who conducted his clinic at ten in the morning. He gave a demonstration of various cases in a theatre accommodating one hundred students. As is usual in these German clinics, some three or four students were brought down to the floor of the theatre, and questioned upon the case under observation.

After the students had withdrawn, a number of operations were performed: Colotomy for intestinal obstruction; excision of half the tongue for cancer, with preliminary ligation of the lingual artery; dermoid cyst of the middle line of the neck, etc. At the same hospital Professor Bunum conducts a clinic in gynecology. He is a skilful operator, and does very thorough and neat work. This was particularly observable in a case in which he performed a vaginal hysterectomy and colpography. The Charité is a huge hospital, containing many buildings and pavilions, laid out quite irregularly, and one easily loses one's way in the labyrinth of walks between the various buildings. It is like a small village.

The Government hospitals in Berlin are in most instances very extensive. The Charité is a type, as is also the Krankenhaus Moabit, where one visited the clinic of Professor Sonnenburg. This hospital accommodates some 1,200 patients. It is built in separate buildings, each building being in itself a complete pavilion, capable of accommodating thirty patients. There was no attempt at architectural beauty, but the individual pavilions looked like so many long sheds one story high, extending off at right angles from either side of the many walks.

The finest hospital in Berlin is undoubtedly the R. Virchow Krankenhaus. The hospital at present accommodates 1,600 patients, and before the end of 1909 will be enlarged to accommodate 2,000 patients. The grounds are beautiful, with fine walks and carefully cut hedges. The walks are carefully kept and many garden seats are distributed throughout the grounds. There is a separate operating pavilion, which forms one of the most perfect arrangements for the conduct of surgical operations that one could see anywhere. It is beautifully finished in white tiles, with the stone floor which is a common feature of all German hospitals. There are two operating-rooms, one of which is reserved for septic work.