

direct evangelistic work in the great surrounding districts.

If you have your map before you you will find our most southerly hospital, Akidu, which is in charge of Mrs. (Dr.) Chute. Situated in a densely populated district, it is a splendid centre for a large hospital, but owing to lack of funds, for years Mrs. Chute has had to bravely carry on this work in a small and most unsuitable building. Nevertheless, caste and outcaste people flock to this centre, and it has been a

Hulet, though, as in Akidu, the work is seriously hindered by lack of suitable accommodation.

These three medical centres lie south of the great Godaveri River, and now crossing, we come to our largest hospital station, Pithapuram, which, owing to the generosity of the district Rajah, is splendidly equipped in every way. In the heart of this large town stands the Mission Dispensary, where Dr. Smith and Miss (Dr.) Allyn spend their mornings treating the crowds of patients who



*Nurses' Home, Pithapuram—Gift of the Ranes of Pithapuram.*

great means of blessing to the whole district. Just twelve miles from Akidu is a large town called Gunnapayaram, where one of our own Mission boys, Andrew Paul, has, under the supervision of Mr. Chute, opened a new dispensary. Although not able to treat more important cases, Andrew Paul is able to do a splendid work, and his Christian influence in the town is especially valuable.

Further north we come to Vuyyuru, where there is another very flourishing hospital in the charge of Miss (Dr.)

come day after day from all parts of the surrounding country. Outside we see the patients being brought in on ox-carts, palanquins, carriages, sometimes carried in on cots, while often the wee sick babies are carried in baskets, which hang from yokes carried over the father's shoulders. Brahmins, Rajahs, merchants, Christians, all castes, outcastes, all mingle together, passing in fearlessly, knowing that no partiality will be shown. The great doctor's love and skill are available to high and low alike. Inside, everything is clean,