

oped in simplicity, with the incomprehensible always left out of their thought.''

THE CLINIC IN THE CORNFIELDS.

Such is the basis upon which has been built the most unique, elaborate and scientific clinic in the history of medicine. No description can do it justice, no medical course is complete without a period in Rochester, no surgeon can afford to miss the unrivalled facilities afforded by St. Mary's Clinic. The quality of the work here shown, and the advanced treatment demonstrated is only excelled by the extreme kindness and courtesy shown by the Mayos in the extent of their efforts to instruct.

An estimation of their clientele may be had when you are told that from one hundred to one hundred and sixty patients pass through their offices each day; of these about 20 per cent. are surgical and are transferred to St. Mary's Hospital, the others are returned to their regular attendants, as no medical cases are treated. The surgical clinic begins at 8.15 and continues till 1 or 1.30 p.m., and has an average of twelve to fifteen major cases daily.

St. Mary's Hospital is owned and managed wholly by the Sisters of St. Frances. The first building was erected twenty-three years ago for Dr. Mayo, Sr., containing thirty beds. Additions have been subsequently added, until now the capacity is one hundred and fifty beds. There are generally about a hundred patients waiting in the hotels and boarding houses for their turn to enter the hospital. A sanitarium of sixty beds is now being built to accommodate patients after leaving the hospital.

To give an adequate description of the clinics would be impossible. The wealth of material of unusual interest, the almost perfection of diagnostic skill, the marvellous dexterity of the operators, the apparently illimitable fund of information pertinent to each case from which these surgeons entertain and instruct the throng of visiting physicians for five hours each day, and the extreme kindness displayed, are matters of universal comment. Where else can be found such a clinic as this morning presented:—Two carcinoma of breast, umbilical hernia, exophthalmic goitre, tubercular glands of the neck, perforating ulcer of duodenum, acute ulcer of stomach, two appendectomies, osteomyelitis, fibroid of uterus, and ovarian cyst with gallstones, facial neuralgia (extirpation of nerve), osteomyelitis of lower jaw, tuberculous knee, adenoids and tonsils. This is but a sample of the daily clinic. It is not unusual to see three stomach operations in one forenoon, while gallstone cases roll up to the seventeenth hundred.