

in his large family at different times, and troubles occasioned through trying to buy his house from a bogus building society, had brought him down to the level of his actual wages and he had but a poor prospect before him, when on being helped to the nearest doctor's the cashier's clerk put his last pay into his pocket. The man was recommended to go the next morning "to the hospital."

THE HOSPITAL IS ALWAYS READY FOR YOU.

Patients suffering from ordinary ailments or diseases commonly enter a general hospital through the "out-patient" department. Furnished with a governor's letter, which is always obtained readily enough, anybody can secure the advice of the physicians and surgeon on duty for the day, and if they decide that his or her illness is of such a character as to require treatment inside the hospital, the patient can enter at once, providing there be a vacant bed. Entrance may be also obtained on the special recommendation of the physicians and surgeons; but there is one essential difference between medical and surgical cases, between illness and hurts, that persons suffering from the latter can claim attention at any time. The hospital door is always open to accidents. Night and day, Sunday and week-day, the porter stands as the door ready to pass in and conduct to the house-surgeon anyone appearing with an accidental wound; and no matter how trivial the injury may be, and without any reference to the dress of the applicant, surgical attention is immediately given, and no demand pressed for a letter of recommendation or for payment. A general hospital makes no distinction between the thriftless and the thrifty in the hour of need. Hour after hour, day after day, year after year, it stands, ready to bestow the best medical advice and the