

theatres, etc. There are fine grounds and the patients also have access to the adjoining public gardens. On my visit I found many New Zealanders here and they all appeared very happy and comfortable. From the staff of this hospital our own hospital at Abassieh was nursed for some time. Miss Gould is the Matron.

THE RED CROSS HOSPITAL AT GIZEH. This hospital of 300 beds is established in a large Government School, and has been excellently fitted up and equipped. The building is very well adapted for the purpose of a hospital and appeared to be under excellent management. The Matron, a fully trained nurse of experience, is the wife of a leading medical practitioner in Cairo, who was acting as medical superintendent. At the time of my visit there were on the staff 9 trained nurses and more were expected. The remainder of the staff were voluntary aid workers and probationers who had been working when it was impossible to obtain the services of sufficient trained nurses. All the work other than nursing is performed by Arab servants.

At the time of my visit two New Zealand officers were in the very comfortable officers' quarters. I saw the well-cooked and appetising meal which was being served to both officers and privates. The patients of this Hospital have a free pass to the beautiful grounds of the Zoo which adjoin. At the time of my leaving Egypt another large building had been taken to add to this hospital.

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN HOSPITAL. This hospital at Cairo is mainly a private hospital of about 40 beds and is very comfortable, standing in beautiful grounds. New Zealand officers were sent here, but now our own officers' quarters will probably be sufficient.

THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL, CAIRO. This is a hospital established in an old barrack building, and intended for the native population. Arrangements had been made to reserve it mainly for the reception of wounded. One New Zealand nurse not of the Defence Forces was working here.

HAZAREA SCHOOLS, CAIRO. This building was recently taken over by the Military authorities as an adjunct to the Citadel Hospital. Two New Zealand nurses, Sisters Nixon and Curties, were sent in charge of large divisions. At the time of my visit

it was in course of transformation and would make a very good hospital of about 800 beds. It was in three blocks of two stories each. Theatres, sterilising rooms, dressing rooms and other necessary offices were being prepared, and there were then about 300 patients in.

Besides these Hospitals I visited a convalescent hospital at Helouan. There were at the time no New Zealand patients but one New Zealander not attached to the forces was nursing there. The large Helouan Hotel was also opened for convalescents and Mena House had been re-opened.

At the time I left Egypt a Canadian Stationary Hospital with 20 sisters, which had just arrived, was in course of establishment in a large building at Abassieh.

The above outline gives some idea of the provision for the sick and wounded in Egypt.

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THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL which was mainly for native patients is now reserved almost exclusively for the troops. When I visited the hospital, before our own hospital was opened, there were only a few New Zealanders there, but they may at any time be admitted. It is an old hospital but quite comfortable. The nursing staff is a Religious Order, the Matron and some sisters being trained nurses. When our last contingent arrived six sisters were detailed for duty there, and live in the quarters of our own staff. Besides the hospital there is a camp hospital under canvas for the more convalescent soldiers.

SCHOOLS HOSPITAL. This hospital of 300 beds is mostly under canvas and is under the control of Captain Heron, the Government Health Officer, and of his wife, a trained nurse. There are two other trained nurses on the staff and some voluntary aid workers which just before I left six New Zealand sisters of the 3rd contingent were lent and live at our own staff quarters. The rest of the work is done by native orderlies and servants.

LADY STRANGFORD HOSPITAL. This is for private patients from the British resident population. A few officers are taken. It is a very old building, but is shortly to move into a new building next to the New Zealand hospital on the sea shore.

THE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL CAMP FOR ENTERIC PATIENTS recently opened at Port Said, I did not see.