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suitably provided for except as others are discharged. I have inspected and approved the plans which have been prepared of a new building to accommodate ten more females of a more select class of cases, and I hope at my next visit to find it ready for occupation. The Asylum and all its adjuncts and surroundings are satisfactory in every respect, and the management has my unquali-

fied approval.

19th January, 1891.—I find, after careful examination of this Asylum, and after separately conversing with all the inmates, that no one is improperly detained. I have not heard any complaints, though I have given every opportunity for making them. Every room and bed I found perfectly clean. The food is good, abundant, and well cooked. The attendants are suitable and well looked after, and the case-book shows that the developments of each case are carefully watched and treated by Dr. Alexander.

The new building for the female side will be fit for occupation in about two months, and this

will give further opportunities of more complete classification and special treatment.

I am informed that a similar extension of the male side has been decided on, so as to provide for larger numbers.

The number of patients this day is 36, 18 males and 18 females.

1st March, 1891.—I have this day paid a surprise visit to this Asylum for the purpose of satisfying myself on certain matters which I desired further to examine.

I found everything going on satisfactorily; one or two matters requiring amendment I have discussed with Dr. Alexander and Mr. Hume, and we have arranged that a new lavatory is to be provided and the bathing rules amended.

I have, &c.,

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