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Woman Is Patient 13 Years

PORTLAND HOSPITAL WARDS OFFER **BIG FIELD FOR DEEDS OF KINDNESS**

Magazines, Music, Funny Papers and Visitors Welcomed-Foreigners Long to Hear Native Tongue Spoken, and "Kiddies" Gratefully Receive Extra "Goodies"-May Kelly Gives Insight Into Institutions.





SUCCESS DECLARED REWARD OF **INTELLIGENT AND PERSISTENT EFFORT**

Louis G. Clarke Gives Encouragement to Youth by Telling of Activity Resulting in His Elevation From Poor Drug Clerk to Directing Head of Two Great Companies Operating in Portland.

A Chinaman who has been in one of the wards for some time is always amusing, for as soon as the visitors get anywhere near him, he lifts himself up as far as he can and reaches out for a paper, jabbering away in some jargon of his own. The men in the other cots say that he can't read-but he wants everything going, and taxes no risk of heing overlooked. So the Literary Di-gest generally falls to his share, for that is not much in demand, and it is truly edifying to see him clutching close its erudite pages with a wise Ori-ental look-which deceives no one, however. BY W. H. WARREN. HEN Louis G. Clarke came to W/ Portland in 1877 the town had about 16,969 population, and but a few small drug stores, and he had a hard time getting a job in his line.

ental look—which deceives no one,] however. Most of the disabled men are very cheerful concerning their crutches, and jokingly refer to the "cripple brigade" if there are a good many lame ones in the same ward. One day when offer-ing a magazine with baseball pictures to a man whose leg was bandaged up, he replied that they had a baseball mine of their own right there, all one-leggod men who could swat the ball even if they couldn't beat it out to first! Another time a man in one of the cots who had just finished reading the evening paper, called out to a friend farther down the line, also heavily bandaged: "Come on over here and After a few months, he obtained a position with the drug firm of C. H. Woodard & Co., at a nominal salary. He worked virtually day and night, filling prescriptions by day, working well into the night hours and sleeping in the store to answer emergency calls.

When I called upon him yesterday to get material for a "success story" I found him the senior member of the well-known retail establishment of Woodard, Clarke & Co., and the wholebandaged: "Come on over here and get the paper, old sport, if you want it." sale establishment of the Clarke, Wood-

sale establishment of the Clarke, Wood-ward Drug Company, owners of one of the big, thoroughly modern sky-scrap-ers of this city, issuing orders to nu-merous subordinates, conferring with his partner, W. F. Woodward, on va-rious problems--in short, directing the energies of one of the great concerns of Portland. "How did you build up this great business?" I asked him. "By hard work, attention to business and careful investments," he replied. Most of the regular hospital visitors cnow Mrs. Bruce, who has been a patient in one of the women's wards for 18 years. If a Carnegie medal was of-

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13 years. If a Carnegie medal was of-fered for patience and cheerfulness, she would capture it, for during all tils time her orphaned children have been growing up without her care and watch-fulness, and, as their home is down on the Columbia River, she cannot see them very often. One daughter is just approaching womanhood, and the nurses say Mrs. Bruce is continually thinking of this girl, wondering what she is doing, and very anxious when she comes to give her the best advice possible about the hundred-and-one things a girl ought to know.

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BY MAY KELLY.

HE time-worn phrase, "one-half of the world doesn't know what the patients left behind. other half is doing" fits fairly The children's wa the world doesn't know what the other half is doing" fits fairly well the life in the great hospitals of any city. How many of the patients in their comfortable private rooms sur-rounded by yas flowers rooms was.

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Mrs. Bruce; Who Mas Been in Mospital 15 Years. Ings are suffering or are even worse off perhaps than they are. Often lifelong friendships are be-gun in the wards. A nurse told yester-from Eastern Oregon who occupied adjacent cots in one of the women's wards, both utter strangers in Port-land. They became very fond of each other, and on leaving the hospital rented housekeeping rooms together, and now come over frequently with something they have cooked for the patients left behind.

Of course each patient, foreigner or o have of blank paper would hest fill his requirements. The other day a pa-tient, an American, replied that he would be glad to have a funny paper, so the black Bulgarian next to him screwed up his features imitatively and cald "I take funny name" with the fact

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