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WOUNDED SOLDIERS AT CHICHESTER.

ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME AT THE RAIL WAY STATION.

ACCOMMODATION AT THE HOSPITAL.

Quite unexpectedly, and unknown to the great majority of the citizens, a party of about thirty wounded British soldiers from the front arrived at Chichester by special train shortly after eleven o'clock yesterday (Tuesday) morning

The official intimation of their coming was only received shortly before the train was due to arrive, but, of course, it had been known for some weeks that there was a probability of some of the wounded being brought to the Cathedral City, and consequently everything was in readiness. The news of their coming also quickly spread, and there was a fairly good sized crowd outside the station at eleven o'clock to witness their arrival.

In order that there should be no unnecessary crushing the outer gates were closed to the ordinary public, but the immediate precints of the station were alive with motor cars, while on the platform there was quite a large gathering of doctors, nurses, ambulance men, boy scouts, and others.

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At twenty past eleven the train came in on the up line. It was seen to be a Great Western Company's train, mostly composed of saloon carriages, converted for Red Cross purposes, bright red crosses being painted on the wood work.

The train contained many more wounded than were to alight at Chichester. Those remaining, it was understood, went on to Worthing.

Plenty of motor cars etc., were lent for conveyance of the wounded to the Hospital, those who kindly helped in this way including the Mayor, Major H. Jellicorse, J.P., the Misses Paget, Councillor H. S. Aylmore, Councillor W. P. Breach, Mr. F. Hill, Mr. G. T. Purchase, Mr. C. C. Allen, Mr. F. M. Barber, Mr. F. B. Du Pre, C. C. Allen, Mr. F. M. Barber, Mr. F. B. Du Pre, J.P., Miss Kennard, Mr. T. S. Adcock, Mr. Welcome, Mr. J. W. Partholomew, Mr. Simmonds, Councillor J. R. Hobbs, the Dolphin Hotel, the Globe Hotel, Messrs. Farr, Messrs. Henty, Ltd., and Mr. Jarman.

At the hospital everything was in readiness, and under the supervision of the Acting House Surgeon (Dr. A. H. Bostock), the Matron (Miss Jones), and the Secretary (Mr. T. B. Harrison), the men were soon made as comfortable as pos-

sible.

Cigarettes for the wounded men will be thankfully received, and should be addressed to the Secretary, Royal West Sussex Hospital, Chichester.