

S. Walker, £50. Mr. Bruce, Messrs. James Walker and Sons, and Mr. G. H. Tattersfield had given all the blankets for the hospital; Mr. George Day had given £20 as a life governor. Mr. Wheatley-Balme had promised an annual subscription of ten guineas, Mr. E. T. Ingham five, and also to give one-third of any deficiency on the first year's working, and, in case of no deficiency, a donation to the endowment fund; Mr. Poppleton one guinea annually, and the committee of the Co-operative Society had written to say they would recommend the members to give an annual subscription.—The Rev. H. W. How, Vicar of Mirfield, moved. "That the best thanks of the people of Mirfield be given to the generous donor, Mr. Chas. Wheatley."—Mr. E. T. Ingham seconded the resolution, and it was passed with applause.—A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

OPENING OF THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AT MIRFIELD.

The new Cottage Hospital at Mirfield, which has been built by Mr. Charles Wheatley as a memorial of his deceased sister (Mrs. Richard Wheatley), was formally opened on Saturday evening. The structure is erected in an elevated site near the Mirfield National Schools. It is pleasantly situated, and commands extensive views of the surrounding country. It has all around it extensive grounds, well laid out and planted with shrubberies, &c. The building is handsome and commodious. The frontage has a very neat appearance. The central portion is recessed a little, a ward at each end projecting, and a glass-covered verandah between them, where patients who are becoming convalescent can sit in the open air when the weather is fit. On entering through a spacious vestibule with folding doors there is a corridor running right and left, and on one side of this are the matron's room, small wards for cases requiring special attention, one for males and the other for females, a large and commodious men's ward, and a women's ward (which is an exact counterpart of the men's), a room for nurses, &c. On the other side the corridors are bath-rooms, closets for males and females, pantries, store-rooms, kitchens, and surgery. In the second story there is a large board-room, and bedrooms for the staff of the institution, with closets, bath, &c., and there is a garget with store-rooms and water cistern. There is a separate building in the grounds to be used as a laundry, &c., and also a room to be used as a mortuary. The opening ceremony commenced with a dedication service, which was conducted by the Lord Bishop of Wakefield (Dr. Walsingham How), who, in the course of a short address, said there were few things which were a greater blessing to a neighbourhood than such an institution as that to which might be sent the sufferers so constantly amongst them from sickness or accidents. He hoped many would find a great blessing in that Cottage Hospital, and he had no doubt that many families would reap great benefits from it, and would thank God for such a hospital. The Mirfield Rifle Volunteers, with their band, were present, by kind permission of Major Crowther. A public meeting was afterwards held in the Parish Church Boys' School, under the presidency of Mr. E. B. W. Balme, who, after a few remarks upon the hospital, moved a vote of thanks to the Lord Bishop for his presence and his services on that occasion.—Mr. Joseph Wheatley seconded the resolution, and it was passed very cordially.—His Lordship acknowledged the vote, and then took his leave.—Mr. J. Wheatley, in giving a financial statement, said that the hospital, fully equipped, was the gift of Mr. Charles Wheatley. The cost of the building and furnishing was about £7,300, and, in addition, Mr. Wheatley was making an endowment of £100 a year. Mr. Wheatley-Balme had promised £500 to the endowment fund, the late Mr. C. A. Tennant, £100; Mr. T. E. Nevin, £100; Mr. J. H. Wheatley, £100; Mr. T. W. Brooke, £100; and Mr.