## Philanthropic Institutions.

The Imperial Poor-House, established by Joseph II and administered by the Municipality of Vienna, disposes of funds, which accrue to it from donations and legacies obtained from the wealthy. Here all poor persons, without distinction obtain assistance according to their wants, which latter are determined by the clergyman of the parish. On an average 18,000 persons are yearly assisted and receive in daily dispensations above 30,000 florins a year.

**Other Hospitals** for the Poor are: The large civil Hospital, Landstrasse, Rochusgasse 8; — the New Hospital, Lazarethgasse 2; — the Hospitals: Waisenhausgasse 1; — Leopoldstadt, Schiffamtsgasse 18; — and the Hospital for needy citizens, Währingergasse, which altogether afford relief to above 1200 poor persons, spending on them annually 170,000 florins.

Private Hospitals for needy Servants, Landstrasse, Rochusgasse 8, and Wieden, Neumannsgasse 6 (under the curatorship of the town-corporations).

The Society of Noble Ladies, for the promotion of the good and useful, Bürgerspital 1100. — They spend above 65,000 florins annually in dispensations to the needy and infirm, distribute prizes in the Parish schools, and support at their own expense a girl-school, at which all kinds of needle-work is taught.

The Orphan-Asylum, Alsergrund, Waisenhausgasse 5, is both an educational and a helping institution. It was founded in 1742 by Prebendary *Marxer* and transferred in 1785 by Emperor *Joseph II* in the building in which it is actually. Here is accomodation for 400 orphans, and about 3000 more are tended at the expense of the establishment.

The Institution for the Deaf and Dumb (k. k. Taubstummen-Institut), Wieden, Taubstummengasse 7, founded in 1779 by *Maria-Theresa*, has been enlarged (1822) by *Francis I*, 100 pupils annually find admittance in it and are educated here.

The Institution for the Blind (k. k. Blinden-Institut) admits blind children of both sexes, from 8 to 12 years of age, when in a healthy state. A complete course of studies lasts from 6 to 10 years. The number of the pupils exceeds 50. This establishment is remarkably well administered. It possesses a very interesting collection of objects invented by and for the blind.

The Hospital for the Blind (Blinden - Versorgungsanstalt) in the proximity of the foregoing is destined to the blind of a more advanced age.

The Institution for the Jewish Deaf-and-Dumb (israelitisches Taubstummen-Institut), Landstrasse, Haltergasse; accommodation for 50 children.

The Institution for the Jewish Blind, Landstrasse, Rudolfsgasse 22.

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