

prospect of converting a new French Barrack Hospital at Bordeaux into a hospital for the receipt of the wounded. When in Holland the American Red Cross ship was visited by the Prince Consort, who is president of the Dutch Red Cross, and who made a cordial speech of welcome. Two units were conducted to Berlin by Count Helie de Tallyrand and Baron Goldschmidt Rothschild, and were sent to Gleichwitz in German Silesia. The Austrian units went to Cracow.

New Zealand nurses were naturally very disappointed they were not permitted to come with their troops for active service at the front, but

### FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.

The nine members of the F.F.N.C. who left London on December 18th, have arrived safely after a very rough passage at Bordeaux, where on the quay Sir Thomas Barclay, Miss Ellison, and Miss Haswell extended a very kind welcome. As soon as the hospital at Talence is in working order the nurses hope to see many new surgical treatments, and are looking forward to proving how greatly their skilled work can help in the comfortable recovery of the patients.

A very fine concert was recently given at the hospital, when Clement known as "the coming



SISTERS HASWELL AND HITCHCOCK, F.F.N.C., AND SOME OF THEIR PATIENTS AT ROUEN.

a wise Sister writes: "We have to submit and help in other ways, and realise that the authorities have their reasons." Six members of the recently organized Territorial Nursing Service have gone with the troops to Samoa, and great excitement was felt in nursing circles when quite suddenly it was decided that they should be sent with the Advance Expeditionary Force from New Zealand. Each nurse had presented to her a little bag with surgical dressings, instruments, thermometer, &c., as part of her equipment. These nurses were present when the British flag was hoisted without any opposition from the German residents and Governor. A thrilling and historic ceremony to witness.

Caruso," delighted the audience with his splendid talent.

The English nurses helped to decorate the wards in the main building and trees for patients at Christmas, and the Medecin Chef, Dr. Dumagny, gave a *Thé Anglaise* on the 24th ult., for which the nurses made all arrangements and did the honours.

Before leaving Rouen, where we hear they are greatly missed, Sisters Haswell and Hitchcock were photographed with a few of their convalescent patients. It is sad to think that many of these brave men must return to the attack.

We are glad to know the English Sisters are beginning to win golden opinions in several French hospitals.

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