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THE CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

The Marquis of Lansdowne has been elected chairman of the British Red Cross Society, in succession to the late Lord Rothschild.

The War Office announces that the correct name of the military hospital which will shortly be opened at the new Stationery Office in Stamford Street, London, is " The King George Hospital." It must not be confused with the King George V Hospital, which is at Dublin.

The beds at the disposal of the War Office have been rapidly filling up during the past week. The recipients of many luxuries, which were readily shared with those who had none. Is it not possible, she asks, for residents in London to organize a system of "callers," whose duty shall be to see that those of our brave wounded, with friends afar, are cheered with a brief talk and whatever luxuries can be afforded? This good work needs consent from the War Office.

The accompanying illustration shows members of the nursing staff of the Hopital Militaire, Fort Mahon, Somme, with one of its ambulances, for conveying the wounded to the hospital where some excellent work has been done, of which we hope to publish a report next week.



NURSING STAFF AND AMBULANCE, HÔPITAL MILITAIRE, FORT MAHON, SOMME.

splendid self-sacrifice of our ever glorious troops at the Front has resulted in a long death-roll, and thousands of men wounded; this, alas! is inevitable and most grievous, but so long as these splendid and brave men are not poisoned by cowards—to die in inexpressible agony—our women feel they can better bear the bitter burden laid upon them.

Have the soldiers in hospitals far from their homes need of friends? It would seem so in some cases. A lady writes that while visiting one of the large hospitals in London, she found that while many of our wounded were receiving "callers" the majority could not, because their friends were so far away. Those with "callers" were the It is announced that $\pounds 8,000$ has been received for the funds of the Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem as a result of Mme. Clara Butt's splendid concert at the Albert Hall last week.

Sir Frederick Milner is still going from hospital to hospital visiting wounded soldiers, and giving greetings from the King and Queen. We hear that at the General Hospital, Nottingham, he expressed pleasure at the happy and cheerful surroundings of the men. Some very charming temporary wards are being built in the grounds, to provide 150 more beds. At present, there is room for 114 soldiers, without encroaching on the usual number of beds for ordinary patients.



