

Many of our patients come in with very bad ulcers, abscesses, and fever, and at certain times of the year we have a great many eye cases. One woman has been in for four months. She arrived in a half-starved condition with a terrible sore on her leg, and brought her baby with her, a miserable little mortal about a year old, who screamed every time we went near her. Now the woman is so fat that her friends would hardly know her, and the leg is nearly healed. As for the baby, it is

one nurse visits them and attends to the patients in the men's hospital.

The schoolboys who are too ill to go to school are attended to first, as no boy may stay away from the central school without leave. This is very necessary, as some of them, like their English brothers, would stay away without sufficient reason; simply saying, "I am ill."

One of the patients is an old man who is subject to fits, and about a year ago, when alone in the house, he had one and tumbled

into the fire. He had a terrible burn on his arm and hand, and for some time we thought he would not recover. We wanted to send him to Lindi to a doctor, but his friends absolutely refused to carry him, so we had to do our best; when Dr. Howard visited the district about five months later he was able to do something for him. Now Mattayo is nearly well, and though he has lost all his fingers on the right hand, he is very proud of himself. We have a good many children suffering from burns, one a little girl who has been attending for some time with a burnt foot, and a nice noise she makes every morning. We have to keep a small supply of sugar to give the little ones after a dose. One small boy of two, Anjilo by name, will swallow any medicine if he thinks sugar will be forthcoming afterwards, and he will sometimes insist upon his father bringing him up and will declare that he is ill. A great many of our patients live too far away to be able to come every day, so we have to send dressings or medicine to them, and they attend once a week or the



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quite a different creature, so friendly and plump, and can walk quite well.

Any patient who is well enough goes to the dispensary every day, but there are a few who are unable to do this. When these have been attended to, and the hospital and yard inspected (for the patients themselves are expected to keep the place clean), the nurses go to the dispensary. If any Europeans are on the sick list

nurse goes to see them.

The National Union of Trained Nurses, which has selected a number of nurses for service at the Front, has had news that its nurses working in Namur are well.

After some exciting adventures in Belgium, Mrs. St. Clair Stobart has arrived safely at home. Her party was sent back from Ostend.

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