

## THE AMERICAN AMBULANCE IN PARIS.

The American Ambulance which has been installed in the beautiful new Lycée Pasteur at Neuilly, by the American Colony in Paris, is admirably suited to its purpose. It contains about 300 beds, and the staff consists of 15 doctors, who are French and American, 75 fully trained nurses and Red Cross Assistants, and a personnel making a total of 180. Every department of hospital work is provided for, and the Americans are greatly to be congratulated upon its efficiency. The voluntary workers took the building over as a shell, and in three weeks it was perfectly

is done at the ambulance. The kitchen is savoury with wholesome French cooking, done by a staff of competent men cooks under the direction of a French lady and her husband who have volunteered to do the catering for the whole hospital. They buy at the best markets, and they see to it that they get the best materials; their store rooms, ice boxes, and cellars are filled with food stuffs, and from all we saw there seems every chance that they would be used. The mid-day meal for the patients was just being served—delicious omelettes, the making of which took 500 eggs, roast veal, fried potatoes, and the daintiest of creams and fruit compôtes. Everything looked appetising, and the

service was rapid and effective. In the large *refectoire* many tables were set for the household staff, and all were served alike, for the ambulance maintains that 'all men are equal,' and there is no above and below the salt."

The hospital ambulance motors of which quite "a regiment" are in use, are of the latest model and have been the means of bringing several hundred wounded men to the hospital.

All are giving their services including the nurses "and giving them gladly."



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THE AMERICAN AMBULANCE AT THE LYCÉE PASTEUR, NEUILLY.

fitted up as a modern hospital with operating theatre, store rooms, lingerie, kitchens, and every comfort a sick or wounded man could desire—and the French and British soldiers are fortunate indeed who are admitted to its wards. By the courtesy of the editor of the *Queen*, who has kindly lent us the blocks, we are able to reproduce pictures (1) The Lycée Pasteur, and (2) The Lingerie, which last week illustrated a most interesting article in that leading women's paper on "The American Ambulance in Paris," by Miss M. E. Clarke. Lingerie in France is of such first importance in institutions for the sick, that we are not surprised to learn that "the Lingerie at the Lycée Pasteur shows stacks of bed linen, house linen, and at a broad table two women iron busily all day, for the washing is done at the permanent American hospital, but all the 'getting up'

## AMERICAN NURSES LEAVE FOR RUSSIA.

The Fates were unusually kind last week in that, instead of whisking Miss Helen Scott Hay (Sister Helen) and her two units of American nurses off to Russia without further ado, they were permitted to rest in London for one night. Thus we were given the opportunity of renewing acquaintance with one of the very finest women in the nursing profession, and of welcoming her and her band of nurses detailed for service in Russia in the name of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland. We felt sure that the members of the Council would wish that their American colleagues (we are all one in the "International") should know how greatly we on this side, appreciate the generosity

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