

wave us goodbye at the hospital gates, as we pass on our way to Caen.

We look back at the brave little group; the car whisks round a corner, and they are lost to sight. But for many miles we talk of them, and are proud to belong to their Corps.

(To be continued.) E. G. F.

LISIEUX.

RECONNAISSANT HOMMAGE A NOS SISTERS
POUR LEURS SI BONS SOINS.

Avant de vous quitter, dignes et humbles bienfaitrices,

Toujours tant dévouées aux pauvres mortels,
Qui acceptèrent ici bas tous les sacrifices,
Et jusqu' à ceux, jugés par eux les plus cruels ;
Je viens, au nom de tous, mettre à votre actif

Nos hommages en reconnaissance de vos bons soins

Que notre santé, parfois faible tel un esquif,
N'ose demander tant sont multiples nos besoins.

Mais vous fîtes si bonnes que j'aime votre simplicité,

Mélant en ses attraits votre douce bienveillance
Que nous, blessés, en notre actuelle oisiveté
Aimons, à votre égard, évoquer les liens de
l'Alliance

Qui feront que nos libertés un instant compromises,
Resteront à jamais pour le salut de l'humanité,
Grace aux combats d'inévaluables entreprises
De nos heureuses armes unis dans une même
confraternité.

Vous nous soignez comme si nous étions des vôtres,

Et d'une façon où votre sincérité est reconnaissable,

Mais, en somme, n'êtes vous pas aussi des nôtres
En ces temps où l'étroite union est indispensable ?
Si ; et les uns les autres confiants en notre renommée,

Qui ne fut jamais en vain illusoire,
Nous attendrons, la moisson bien semée,
Les doux fruits de l'irrésistible Victoire.

ANONYMOUS.

A NICE LITTLE TALE.

Here is a nice little tale, let us hope it is true :—
A convent in one of the Belgian towns near the firing line was threatened with an invasion of the Germans, and the Rev. Mother, knowing what had already happened in similar cases, did not know how to put her nuns and pupils in safety.

At last one of the nuns said to her, " Why not send us all into the British trenches ? We shall be safe there." This was done.

When the Rev. Mother was asked if she was not afraid of what might happen to her flock she only answered, " But the men were English."

FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.

The following Sisters will leave for France on Friday, October 15th :—Miss Nelly Branch, R.N.S., cert. Great Northern Hospital, London, cert. Fever, City Hospital, Coventry ; Miss Catherine A. Mercer, cert. Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary, Queen's Nurse ; Miss E. Hunt, cert. Royal Infirmary, Leicester ; Miss Ruth Cole, cert. Royal Infirmary, Leicester ; Miss Bridget A. Reynolds, cert. Barrington Hospital, Limerick.

We are always pleased to receive gifts to help the Sisters in their work in France, and kind Mrs. Alfred Paine, of Bedford, has again sent a most generous gift of 100 slippers and flannel boots for the wounded French soldiers. They are tied up in six packets and a set of fly muslins with each. Mrs. Alfred Paine is Shoemaker-in-Chief to the Joint War Committee, and her slipper total now amounts to 8,828—a splendid record of help to wounded men. The F. F. N. C. Sisters greatly appreciate these slippers because they are so well made.

From Neufchateau Sister Holme reports helpful gifts from friends for use in Rébéval Hospital : per Mrs. Danby, tins soup, marmalade, tea and biscuits ; per Miss Virvain, bowls, jug, kidney tray, coal tar soap, towels, cigarettes, tobacco, wool, lint, gamgee tissue, bicarbonate of soda, £1 worth hypodermic needles and serum needles, razor, marmalade and cocoa ; per Women's Emergency Corps, bandages, many-tailed bandages ; per H. W., large boxes Woodbine cigarettes ; per Miss Cox eighteen pairs socks ; per Guild St. Barnabas, dressing gowns, socks, butter muslin. All the Sisters at Neufchateau have managed to spoil the Egyptians for the benefit of their patients.

The Sisters working in the contagious blocks at Besançon are greatly interested in their work, as most of their cases are acute, and also wounded. The hospital is well-equipped for a temporary institution, with gas, hot and cold water, and three baths arranged in each ward between the beds which they consider an excellent arrangement as baths are always ordered for high temperatures. They are very busy learning French, and as the surrounding country is lovely, they greatly enjoy their environment. Sister Robb who is in charge of this unit, has won the hearts of all her colleagues by her kindness and consideration for them.

A meeting has been arranged by the Church League for Women's Suffrage in the Caxton Hall on Tuesday, October 19th, at 8 p.m. Dr. Helen Hanson, who recently returned from Serbia, will give an account of her hospital work and other experiences. Mrs. Stobart's Unit, to which Dr. Hanson was attached, is situated at Kragujevatz. The precarious conditions of affairs there at the present time will tax to the utmost the resources of our brave little allied country.

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