

The patient's kit is an item of great importance in military hospitals, and Miss Fletcher has made the care of it one of her chief considerations.

The authorities are fortunate to have secured the services of this lady, who has had a wide and varied experience. She had already, as Matron, organised the Nursing Department at the American Women's Hospital at Paignton, and as Assistant Matron helped to do like office for the Norfolk War Hospital, which is said to be near perfection. She is assisted in the nursing by a staff of highly-trained and experienced Sisters.

We are indebted to her for her courtesy in sparing valuable time to give us so much interesting information.

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THE JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

Miss Swift, the Matron-in-Chief under the Joint War Committee, recently made a tour of inspection to the Anglo-French and Belgian Hospitals and those of the Joint War Committee. She visited Lady Hadfield's Hospital at Wimereux; at Calais, the British Farmers' Anglo-Belgian Hospital, and the Rest Station, which is attached to the railway, and contains 120 beds, 12 of which are reserved for officers.

The wounded are here taken off the trains, fed, put to bed, and their wounds dressed; they are then drafted off to other hospitals. The work is managed by Belgian ladies, supervised by the Matron of the British Farmers' Hospital, when a rush occurs, and a trained Sister takes charge at night. Miss Swift visited 16 Train, which was in the station at the time of her visit.

At Etaples, St. John's Brigade Hospital, which is well arranged in huts, with a perfect equipment, theatre, electrical department, and every modern appliance. The wards are large and airy. Also the Liverpool Merchants' Hospital, which is beautifully equipped and arranged, and the Allied Forces Base Hospital.

At Paris Plage, the new Baltic Corn Exchange on the sea front, formerly an hotel, is very well adapted for the purpose now used.

At Le Touquet.—The Duchess of Westminster's Hospital for Officers.

At Abbeville.—The Friends' Hospital. The Rest Station, new wooden buildings, where patients taken off the trains are tended. Here there is accommodation for 800-900 to be fed and dressed.

There is also a small hut for cases too bad to be moved.

No. 2 Hospital of the British Red Cross for Officers at Rouen is a monastery lent by the French to the Joint Committee. It contains 120 beds, a large proportion being in private rooms. It is an interesting building, standing in its own grounds, of which the patients and the staff have the use. In the gardens adjoining stands the Bishop's Palace. This well equipped hospital is full of patients, many from La Bassée and Champagne.

The following Sisters have been deputed to duty in Home Hospitals:—

The Red Cross Hospital, Reigate.—Miss M. E. Moore.

Auxiliary Military Hospital, Levenshulme.—Miss P. Mapletoft.

14, *Royal Crescent, Brighton.*—Miss C. Parker.
Llwynarthen Hospital, Castleton, Cardiff.—Miss I. W. F. Lowe.

Dane John Hospital, Canterbury.—Miss M. Hutchinson, Miss F. Stearman.

Victoria Auxiliary Hospital, Stretford.—Miss A. Hutchinson, Miss E. F. Burke.

Temporary Hospital, Exeter.—Miss F. H. Berry.
Lyon House, Brentford.—Mrs. Moberley.

V.A.D. Hospital, Newton Abbott.—Miss M. M. Murphy.

Soldiers' Hospital, Royston, Herts.—Miss E. A. Mason, Miss E. J. Hurlston.

Blythswood Hospital, Byfleet, Surrey.—Miss E. D. Harris.

V.A.D. Hospital, Rosemary, Harpenden, Herts.—Mrs. Lovell.

Temporary Hospital, Richmond Hill Road, Edgbaston.—Miss M. Dunn.

Ablington House, Figheldean, Salisbury.—Miss M. E. Slane.

V.A.D. Hospital, Standish, Stonehouse, Glos.—Miss K. E. Skinner.

V.A.D. Hospital, Wallfields, Highfields.—Mrs. King Brown.

Red Cross Hospital, Winchester.—Miss E. E. M. Parker.

Combe Lodge, Great Warley, Essex.—Miss M. A. Lackens.

Highland Moors Hospital, Llandrindod Wells.—Miss E. M. Smith.

Clandon Park Hospital, Guildford.—Miss B. M. Gray.

V.A.D. Hospital, Naunton Park, Cheltenham.—Miss E. K. Spencer.

Regent's Park Hospital, Southampton.—Miss G. E. Skinner.

Boxmoor House Hospital, Boxmoor.—Miss A. E. A. Scanlan.

V.A.D. Hospital, Southborough, Tunbridge Wells.—Miss E. K. Good.

Golder's Green Military Hospital.—Miss M. T. Mitchell.

Red Cross Hospital, Horsham Road, Dorking.—Miss E. Ward.

Home Mead Hospital, Lymington, Hants.—Miss I. M. Dyer.

Yarrow Military Hospital, Broadstairs.—Miss A. Postlethwaite, Miss H. M. Turner.

V.A.D. Hospital, Thirsk.—Miss M. O'Connor.

Hanworth Park, Feltham, Middlesex.—Miss H. M. Green.

Merthyr-Aberdare Auxiliary Hospital.—Miss Brereton.

Brook War Hospital, Woolwich.—Miss E. Creed, Miss F. G. Clark.

Cottisbrook Hall, Northamptonshire.—Miss M. Hopkins.

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