

wounded cases, necessitating a greatly increased expenditure, so that funds are urgently needed.

Of the gratitude of the French soldiers touching incidents are recorded. One with tears in his eyes said "I shall never forget these days. Always and everywhere I shall tell the people that the English are 'braves gens,' that England is a true friend of France." These soldiers are drawn from every part of France. Few of them knew anything of the English before. They thought of us probably with the mistrust of tradition. Now an abstract prejudice gives place to a warm human experience. Over and above, then, the actual work of the hospital there is this filtration into how many homes scattered over broad France of a changed fraternal sentiment of good will."



MISS HOWES, MATRON, AND SISTERS AT BRITISH HOSPITAL, ARC-EN-BARROIS.

The Matron of the hospital, Miss Howes, was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, and was Matron of the General Hospital, Cheltenham, before joining the Universities Mission to Central Africa, of which for some years she was a valued member. One of the Sisters of the hospital is Miss Amy Phipps, well known to our readers by her contributions to this JOURNAL.

SEEN AT THE FRONT.

"The prettiest thing I've seen out there," said the sergeant, "was the sister who met me with the hospital train. There she was, in her blue frock and white cap and apron, with the red cross on it. Clean and smiling, with rosy cheeks. I'd seen nothing like her since I left England."

"MODERN WOMAN."

We welcome the first number of *Modern Woman*, edited by Miss Mary Fraser, for, although papers for women are numerous, they cater almost exclusively for women of means and leisure. There is, therefore, room for a paper which appeals to the woman who earns what she spends, and which concerns itself with the serious interests of our sex.

Miss Fraser herself contributes an article, "Where are Our Nurses," in which recognition is claimed for the sacrifices made by the trained nurses of the country. It is well informed and well written, and emphasises the fact that in regard to nursing "there is but one woman in England who is in request to-day, and she is

the trained and capable nurse. Our wounded in blue are the most picturesque and appealing feature of our streets; there is not a woman who does not desire to show them sympathy and friendship in return for all they have done for her; but when they are at their worst, lying in agony upon their beds, they do not want gay words and laughter and cigarettes, they want the touch of the skilled hand, the inestimable comforts of the presence of the woman who knows how to nurse. Can authority tell us that this comfort has invariably been theirs?"

Miss Mary Macleod Moore writes of the Women's Volunteer Reserve, giving an account of an interview with Mrs. Cyril Smithett, Organizing Secretary of the movement, with her accustomed ability and charm; and other contributions, on "The Englishwoman on the Land," "Training the Girl for Business," &c., are of much interest. The *Modern Woman* is published weekly by the Clerkenwell Press, Ltd., 76-78, Clerkenwell Road, price 2d., and we wish it all success.

Norwegian nurses have always shown themselves very sympathetic with their colleagues in this country, and at the present time no less than eighteen, provided by the Norwegian Colony, are working in Military Hospitals in the United Kingdom. They are very well educated, reliable women, and will make many friends here we have no doubt.

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