Thursday this week is "Russia's Day." We shall all be wearing its flag and hope the large supply to be provided will be sold out.

The Army authorities are considering the establishment of eight military hospitals with a total accommodation of something like 30,000 beds on the south coast. Sites have been considered at Bognor, Bexhill, Eastbourne, Hastings, Littlehampton and Worthing.

Queen Alexandra and many royalties have signified their intention of being present at the matinée in aid of the Australian wounded soldiers at His Majesty's Theatre, on the 19th inst. The success of the matinée is already secured, over

£1,700 having been received for seats by Friday.

The Joint War Committee intends to provide a Christmas Gift for every sick and wounded soldier in the hospitals under the Red Cross in France, Malta, Egypt, and the Dardanelles.

The "Hoare-Ward" Patent Head and Arm Rest is the invention of Miss AliceHoare-Ward, a member of the Marylebone Division of the British Red Cross Society. It is intended for

use when pillows are too heating, or sufficient are not available. It is made of thick white webbing, gives complete support, is adjustable, portable, and can easily be attached to any bed rail. It folds into a box 7 inches by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches, and is made in two qualities, price 3s. 6d. and 6s. 6d. The sole manufacturers are Messrs. Arnold & Sons, Surgical Instrument Makers, Giltspur Street, London, E.C. A few of these Rests would make a nice gift for any ward.

Miss Musson, Principal Matron First Southern General Hospital, Bournbrook, recently opened at Queen's College, Birmingham, a sale of work in support of the Scottish Women's Hospitals, in France, Salonika, and Serbia, and not only nurses but all women should be grateful for the liberal minded speech made on the occasion by Lieutenant-Colonel Gilbert Barling. Lieutenant-Colonel Gilbert Barling, who presided over the opening ceremony, said they were bound to realise that the War was going profoundly to affect their views in many directions; and, if he might venture to prophesy, he would say they were going to take a very different view of the work done by women from that which they held before hostilities began. The way in which women were working in every sphere in which it was possible for them to assist deserved and called for their deepest acknowledgment. Whether it was in nursing and doctoring the wounded, in the murition works, on the trams, or in the post office, or whether it was in the greater sacrifice of giving their children to the service of the country, women were doing their 'utmost to discharge their duties. He had always maintained that in the medical profession, women should be

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given the same opportunities as men—no fewer and no more. A great many women in the present day had to earn their own living, and in spheres in which they could do efficient work they should be given the same chances as men. He was a strong advocate of the principle of medically educating men and women in the same school. He was certain it was to the advantage of women that they should work alongside men students. He hoped the result of that sale of work would be satisfactory. Serbia was a nation that had suffered during the past fifteen months, and anything they could do to help her would be gladly welcomed by the people of that sorelytried country.

It was proposed to support for one year a Birmingham bed in the hospital at Kragujevatz alas! we fear, no longer possible, now that it is in the hands of the enemy.



