

details are unprovided, and as the patients are splendid, we should like to supply what is lacking, so will you kindly, through the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, ask for socks, towels, handkerchiefs and slippers for this ambulance, as we are in great need of them, and can do with a good supply."

We have sent off 50 pairs of slippers kindly sent by Mrs. Alfred Paine of Bedford, and several dozens of fine towels, but some large towels, socks, and handkerchiefs will be gratefully received by Miss Turnell, French Flag Nursing Corps, Groupe 3, Secteur Postal 3, France. Please some kind reader see to this little demand. We hear such gifts are greatly appreciated from England, and as there are so many devoted women whose duty is in their homes, who spend all their spare time working for the wounded—and as the French soldiers are our brave brothers in arms, everything which can be sent will be well bestowed.

FRENCH HYMN OF GLORY.

With all due ceremony the ashes of Rouget de Lisle, the author of the "Marseillaise" have been removed from Choisy-le-Roi, where they have lain since 1836 in a gun carriage of the First Empire, and conducted in State to the Invalides, where they will rest in the Chapel of St. Louis side by side with those of the Great Napoleon. All Paris paid homage in procession on this occasion to the author of their hymn of glory.

NEWS FROM MONTENEGRO.

A member of the Sanitary Commission recently sent to Montenegro by the Wounded Allies Relief Committee, has lately written as follows to the Committee concerning its two typhus units despatched at the request of the Montenegrin Government:—

"I left Cetinje at 6 a.m. for Niksitch, where I chose the buildings for our work, the schools for the hospital, and the gymnasium for the staff. I arranged with the Local Authorities thoroughly to whitewash out both buildings and to put them both into repair. I asked for 20 Austrian prisoners to act as orderlies and arranged for a camp disinfecting apparatus to be erected in the courtyard. There was no kitchen belonging to the schools so one is being built. They also promised to provide 6 large wooden barrels, which are to be cut in half, to be used as baths for the patients and washing tubs for the laundry. . . .

"From Niksitch I went to Podgoritza by motor some 80 miles distant and there I agreed to take over the schools, which are already a hospital and will be handed over to us on our arrival. I also chose a house for the staff. . . . It is devoid of furniture, as also is the gymnasium at Niksitch . . . so we shall have to make shift with packing cases. . . .

"The Montenegrin authorities will give us, free of charge, rations for every patient in hospital, and also 1 kilo of bread and $\frac{1}{2}$ kilo of meat per head of the personnel. . . . They will give us two interpreters for each hospital."

The writer then proceeds to give an account of an exciting escape from death. "The path was hardly 12 inches wide, and one wondered how the ponies found a foothold, especially as the wet clay was like glass. At these places a precipice ending in a broad fast flowing river was on one side of the path with nothing between you and it, while on your other side your leg brushed against a towering cliff. . . . At one of these places both I and my interpreter were very nearly killed by the fall of a gigantic rock, which luckily fell down between us."

EXHIBITION OF ARTIFICIAL LIMBS.

The exhibition of artificial limbs at Roehampton House, Roehampton, opened on Tuesday, July 20th. A large number of firms sent exhibits, and many of their representatives were themselves fitted with artificial limbs, and were therefore able to give practical demonstrations of their usefulness.

It was indeed marvellous to see the pitch of perfection achieved by some of the appliances designed for the comfort and help of those whose sad fate it has been to lose one or more limbs.

The firm of A. A. Marks, New York, shewed an artificial limb for use after amputation below the knee, price 100 dollars. There were several points worthy of note. Though made without an ankle joint, jar is avoided by the rubber padding on the heels and toes. The representative of the firm was himself wearing one of these, and had climbed the Alps with its help.

In the case of the artificial arm and hand, the fingers of the latter are made of rubber, which avoids any unpleasant noise when they come in contact with a hard object. The hand is detachable, and can be replaced with a fork or hook, &c.

Carnes Artificial Limb Co., Kansas City, exhibited arms only, at a cost of £50. Though the price was high, it was justified by the truly wonderful things the limb is able to achieve. The fingers are controlled by shoulder movements, the wearer is able to write, brush his hair, pick up objects, feed himself, and in fact very little remains that he cannot accomplish.

The disfiguring high boot has been replaced by the neat extension, formed by placing the foot on an inclined plane. The contrivance enables an ordinary boot or evening slipper to be worn.

A simple inexpensive and ingenious contrivance for the benefit of those with injuries to the leg was shown by George E. Marshall & Co., Crawford Works, Bryanston Square, W. It is entitled a stick leg-rest for the wounded, and is so made as to form both a useful walking stick and a comfortable leg rest.

The stick is in two sections, held together with rubber caps at each end, these being removed, the sections fall apart, but are connected with flexible bands. We think that this simple contrivance will be a great boon to lame travellers. Limited space forbids us to mention more than a few of the many highly scientific inventions in this most interesting and unique exhibition.

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