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PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS. Silhouette by Marjory C. Collins.

advanced hospitals during the last few days. Trained Italian nurses from the Scuola Convitto Regina Elena, in Rome, have been sent to the Front, where their highly-trained skill is of the utmost value. This first-rate school of nursing was organized by Miss Dorothy Snell, with the help of British Sisters.

The Matron-in-Chief and the Army Nurses working in Egypt have endowed a bed in the "Star and Garter" Home at Richmond for disabled soldiers. We know how much pleasure it has given each nurse to contribute her bit.

The Croix de Guerre, with palm (indicating that the decoration was earned under fire) has been conferred by the French Government on Miss B. E. Barrett, Q.A.I.M.N.S.R. Miss Barrett was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and was deputed to duty in Macedonia in July last. The Army Order issued in France by the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief the Allied armies in the East, ran as follows :--

Miss B. E. Barrett, of 37, General Hospital, during the bombardment of that hospital by enemy aeroplanes, showed a perfect contempt of danger by going to the help of the wounded, in spite of the continuous explosions. The Commanding-Officer

spite of the continuous explosions. The Commanding-Officer has much pleasure in announcing that the French Government has conferred on Sister Barrett the Croix de Guerre with palm.

The Christmas Number of the -Gazette of the Third London General Hospital, Wandsworth, exceeds—if that is possible those that have gone before in excellence. By the courtesy of the Editor we are able to reproduce two charming silhouettes by Marjory C. Collins. "Preparations for Christmas" and "Christmas." We hope the talent collected between the covers of this brilliant little magazine will not be dissipated at the end of the war. Many people outside those connected with the Third London General Hospital would miss this witty and sparkling monthly.

Mr. Ian Malcolm, M.P., has made a collection of German "terror" posters, which have been placarded in Belgium and Northern France, which will be on view in the new tea-rooms of the House of Commons next week.

One of the rosters deals with the condemnation of Miss Cavell,

and is signed by Von Bissing. Here it is in black-and-white. On October 12th, 1915, Von Bissing (Governor of the City of Brussels, announces that the Tribunal of the Imperial German War Council, sitting at Brussels, has passed the following sentences :--

To death : Edith Cavell, Institutrice à Bruxelles; Philippe Bancq, Architecte à Bruxelles, and four others for "trahison en bande organisée"; to fifteen years of hard labour, four others, one of them a woman.

And a little lower we read :---

" In the cases of Cavell and Bancq, the sentence has already received full execution."

It is with great regret that we announce that, owing to ill-health, Miss M. Wright has resigned her post as Matron of Woodlands V.A.D. Hospital, Southport. A farewell concert was given in her honour, and she was presented with an illuminated address and silver toilet set by the patients; an eiderdown by the trained staff; and a silver bag and Treasury notes by the V.A.D.s.

Miss Wright, who is the most genial of women, will be greatly missed. She has always taken a very real interest in nursing organization, and is



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