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## CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

May 8th is to be Joan of Arc Day, in aid of the "Three Arts Women's Employment Fund." Joan of Arc's emblem, the "Fleur de Lys," will be sold in the streets. Mlle. Gina Palerme, in coat of mail, will ride through the streets on a charger, and there will be a "Pageant of Fair Women," by Mr. L. N. Parker at the Queen's Hall in the evening, in which the usual galaxy of beauty and talent will take part. Those of us who quarter the "Fleur de Lys" on our coat-of-arms are specially interested in this function.

The Viscomtesse de la Panouse, who is President

adjustable chairs for patients, a bench for the mechanical worker, water supply, Primus stoves for heating sterilizing basins, and cabinets for all necessary instruments, drugs, and dressings.

The Wounded Allies Relief Committee, 8, Grosvenor Gardens, S.W. 1, has presented to the Serbian Relief Fund the sum of £500 for the purpose of providing food for sick and wounded Serbian prisoners of war in Germany.

Recently we gave some account of the Hôpital de l'Océan at La Panne, of which Miss Violetta. Thurstan is Matron, and mentioned the Nurses' Club. The charming picture which we publish herewith shows the club, formerly an inn, on the



THE NURSES' CLUB. Hopital de l'Ocean, La Panne.

of the French Red Cross, is making an appeal for help so urgently needed in the devastated areas of France which have lately been reconquered by the French and British. At Noyon especially women's clothing of all kinds is urgently wanted at once. A special fund for this purpose is to be raised over here, and there is no doubt about it receiving substantial and generous support.

There has recently been on view in the courtyard of Devonshire House a fully-equipped motor dental-surgery car for the use of British troops in France. The car has been designed and fitted with complete dentistry appliances, at a cost of  $\pounds_{1,400}$ , and presented to the Royal Army Medical Service. The interior arrangements provide two left hand side. It gives an excellent idea of the situation of this hospital on the Belgian coast, the Nurses' Club being close to the Plage.

La Panne is a village inhabited by fishermen, who have built their dwellings in sheltered places amongst the dunes. The low, white cottages, with the strings of dried fish hanging on the walls, nestle in the little valley from which the place takes its name (for *panne* in Flemish means " a hollow ") surrounded by trees and hedges, gay with wild roses in the summer time. Each cottage stands in its small plot of garden ground, and most of the families own fishing boats of their own, and farm a holding which supplies them with potatoes and other vegetables.



