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FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.

At no voluntary hospital in France has better care of the French sick and wounded been taken than at Ambulance Mobile I, at Rousbrugge, financed by Mrs. Borden Turner, an American lady, where the nursing staff includes graduate American and British nurses. So well organised is this hospital that it soon became known as "Le Petit Paradis des Blessés." Six F.F.N.C. Sisters are attached to this hospital, three of whom are Canadians. This Ambulance is soon to be moved nearer the fighting line—in the wake of the French Army, and the nursing staff are to go with it, and will continue their efficient service. must necessarily do himself, and which, consequently, makes French surgery doubly hard.

Thanks to the Sister who worked with me, Miss Lewis, her capacity and untiring devotion, I have been able to do an amount of work I should have been unable to do without her. Everything was ready. I did not require to give orders. As to her devotion, I can only say one thing—it was the same as her work; I did not require to ask her to do anything. Everything was done. The greatest fatigue has always been borne by all the Sisters without any complaint, and, more than that, with the absolute denial of fatigue.

And added to all this, I have found in the Sisters a frank, simple gaiety which greatly helps



MRS. BORDEN TURNER'S HOSPITAL. AMBULANCE MOBILE I. American, English and Canadian Sisters.

The following letter, recently received by Miss Ellison in Paris, will be very gratifying to every member of the Corps :—

MADEMOISELLE,—Although I have not had the pleasure of meeting you, just before leaving Bautzen, where I have been for two years, I cannot refrain from writing to thank you for the English nurses who have been sent here.

From the technical point of view it would be impossible not to appreciate them, the only thing one can say is that, thoroughly understanding and loving their work as they do, they have been able to replace the doctor in so many ways, and have been able to undertake work which the French surgeon, when he is not perfectly seconded, towards recovery of the poor wounded. And yet they are living in surroundings which are anything but comfortable, amongst foreigners and soldiers, and often I feel they must suffer from the little differences of language and customs which necessarily exist between nations.

I felt that before I left I should like to speak of the great admiration and respect I have for my unselfish, hardworking and very experienced 'assistants.'"

DR. R. MOUGEOT,

Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, Conseiller Général de la Haute Marne, Maire de la Ville de St. Dizier, Medecin Major.



