

ENFRANCHISED CANADIAN NURSES.

The interesting and historic picture which we have great pleasure in publishing on page 4, is from a Canadian official photograph taken on the Western Front, and depicts Canadian Sisters recording their votes on conscription, in France. On the left, the staff-sergeant is taking the names, units, &c., of the Sisters. The officer on the right is handing the Bible to a Sister who is about to take the oath before voting.

THE KING'S HONOURS.

Amongst the "King's Honours" conferred by His Majesty on the occasion of the New Year, the following awards appear:—

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.**1ST CLASS.**

Miss Mary Constance Clark, Superintending Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S.

2ND CLASS.

Miss Mabel Basden Smith, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S.; Miss Dorothy Henderson, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S.; Miss Ethel Madeline Gertrude Hirst, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S.; Miss Margaret Brand Paterson, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Miss Marion S. Marshall, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Reserve; Miss Jean P. Cullen, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Reserve; and Miss Christina McI. Dewar, Nursing Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Reserve.

JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

The following Sisters have been deputed for duty in home hospitals:—

Field House Aux. Hosp., Bradford.—Miss E. Ward.

Hoveton Hall V.A. Hosp., Wroxham, Norfolk.—Miss B. Castello.

Red Cross Hosp., Raglan Road, Reigate.—Mrs. H. L. Horniman.

Hosp. for Facial Injuries, 78, Brook Street, W.—Miss B. Carew.

Town V.A. Hosp., Rugby.—Miss V. E. Phipps.

The Bishop's Palace Hosp., Gloucester.—Miss D. Findlay.

Red Cross Hosp., Wincanton, Somerset.—Miss S. G. Nobbs.

De Walden Court Hosp., Meads Road, Eastbourne.—Miss E. Alleyne, Mrs. E. E. Butler.

Garden Suburb Aux. Hosp., Golders Green.—Miss A. M. Ccleclough.

Plas Tudno Aux. Hosp., Llandudno.—Miss E. E. Arnold.

V.A. Hosp., Bridlington.—Mrs. M. H. Staffcrd.

FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.**FOR DISTINGUISHED MERIT.**

Sister Edith Wadsworth and Sister Jean McG. Campbell have been presented with the silver Ensigne (two little palms and a red cross in the

middle), given to infirmières particularly distinguished by their merit, together with the Citation. The Sisters greatly appreciated the latter. These Sisters, working in the devastated districts have lately received a Christmas gift of money from some kind Americans, and have promptly expended it in a gramophone to the great delight of their patients. Whenever in doubt as to what gifts to send to a French military hospital, first give a gramophone, then cigarettes, and if there is anything to spare, send flannel shirts, hot water bottles, and soft pillows.

CARE OF THE WOUNDED.**THE BRITISH COMMITTEE OF THE FRENCH RED CROSS.**

The splendid help given to France through the means of the Comité de Londres, Croix Rouge Française has been accomplished without too much red tape. It owes its success to the devoted work of its organisers and staff, and to their knowledge of, and sympathy with, the French people. The Comité has worked hand-in-hand with the Anglo-French Committee of the British Red Cross, and now it has been arranged that it is to take over the duties and records of that Committee. In future the combined committees will be housed at the Headquarters, 9, Knightsbridge, S.W. 1, with a branch office at 36, Rue de Chateaudun, Paris, and as always their doors will be open to all those who wish to help France, either by personal services or by gifts in money or in kind. As a token of their needs and their aims, this executive will be known as the British Committee of the French Red Cross.

The office in Paris will be ready in about a month's time, and will include a *pied à terre* for the F.F.N.C., a very convenient arrangement.

A PALATIAL AMBULANCE TRAIN.

A splendid up-to-date ambulance train has been built in this country by the Midland Railway Company for the American Army, and was on view at St. Pancras Station on Monday. The train is designed to carry 393 patients and a staff of 57. It is superbly fitted with every hospital comfort. Painted in glossy white enamel, with mahogany polished window frames and fittings, the nine bright ward cars each contain 36 folding cots in three tiers, the cots in the middle tier being arranged so that they can be folded down to form backs for sitting cases in the lower tier. There are also infectious ward car, dispensary, treatment, operating and emergency rooms, bath-rooms, kitchens, officers' cars, and staff and personnel cars. The gauze shutter windows so successful in the Mediterranean trains are repeated in this train.

American doctors and Sisters will view with delight this wonderful hospital train when it arrives in France, as they will realise the pain and suffering its fine equipment will save their sick and wounded heroes.

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