

FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.

HONOURABLE RECOGNITION.

We have to report with much pleasure that Sister Judith Smith and Miss Eleanor Nevill-Parker, I.S.T.M., have been awarded the "Insegne" (en argent) by the Ministre de la Guerre. This honourable recognition is awarded for special devotion and care of French wounded soldiers. Both the recipients have for nearly three years been attached to massage centres in France, where they have worked untiringly and attained most excellent results. We offer sincere congratulations.

HONOUR, COURAGE AND PATRIOTISM.

Those of us who knew our Paris in the far-off days before the war well remember the splendid Hotel Astoria, close to the *Etoile*; yet little did we think in those days that "wireless" had been installed overhead by its enemy managers, and that in the cut-and-dried programme, for the second German conquest of France, the Astoria was to be the headquarters of the All-Highest War Lord, and that it was from this splendid coign of vantage that he was to watch his legions pass down the Champs Elysées!

That dream evaporated in 1914, since which time this fine hotel has been pressed into the service of the sick and wounded. Here the Japanese did their wonderful work in 1915, and now the good work is carried on by our British Red Cross Society, where recently we found Miss C. C. du Sautoy in charge as Matron, surrounded by an enthusiastic staff, and everything in excellent order.

We cannot imagine a more fascinating *piéd-à-terre* than has been allotted to this lady and her staff, amongst them Lady Hermione Blackwood. Imagine stepping out on to a balcony at the very top of this magnificent building, to find *tout Paris* at one's feet, and the vision of its surrounding heights. Such a view! The exquisite city, its woods and waters, to be seen away out as far as St. Cloud.

Somehow, as the days begin to lengthen and the scent of violets and jonquils and lilac perfume the air, Paris, in spite of the tragedy of war, makes a call to the blood! Thus, to be able to step out of one's apartment and have the whole lovely world of Paris within vision, to breathe in its exquisite and exhilarating air, and to know that in spite of legions and legions of Huns—dead and alive—their All Highest is still far beyond its barriers, must inspire workers at the Astoria with a keen sense of triumph, and also with a deep sense of the Glory of France, which has won the Victory. We are of those who shall always write France and Glory and Victory with capital letters, whatever happens, because Honour and Courage and Patriotism must conquer ultimately, even if its landmarks are wiped out, and its mountains are immersed in the depths of the sea!

JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

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

Red X Hosp., Chippenham, Wilts.—Miss M. Davison.

Moorfield Aux. Hosp., Glossop.—Mrs. N. Mercer.
6, Clarendon Terrace, Brighton.—Mrs. V. F. Drower.

Red X Hosp., Lindfield, Sussex.—Miss M. M. Pines.
Aux. Hosp., The Warren, Leamington.—Miss H. George.

Red X Hosp., Massandra, Weymouth.—Miss B. Mc I. Grey.

V.A.D. Hosp., Bishop's Stortford.—Miss F. E. Jacob.

Barry Dochs Red X Hosp., Barry.—Mrs. I. Nye.
Red X Hosp., Watermillock, Bolton.—Miss F. M. Deady.

V.A. Hosp., Ockbrook, nr. Derby.—Miss E. J. McGregor.

78, Brook Street, W. 1.—Miss K. M. Manning.
Fairlawn Aux. Hosp., Forest Hill.—Miss M. Russell.

Waverley Abbey Mil. Hosp., Farnham.—Miss D. S. Banks.

Harewood House, Leeds.—Mrs. H. Perrin.
Seaham Hall War Hosp., Seaham Harbour.—Miss A. M. F. Sullivan.

Hawarden House, Bracondale, Norwich.—Miss A. Green, Miss A. M. Hudson.

V.A.D., Follaton House, Totnes.—Miss G. Petherick, Miss V. Mitchell.

Bankford Mil. Hosp., Workington.—Miss E. M. Taylor.

Fairview Aux. Hosp., Ulverston.—Miss E. L. Woods.

Victoria Aux. Hosp., Stretford.—Miss J. Mullaby.
Shepreth Aux. Hosp., Royston.—Miss C. S. Trounce.

St. John Aux. Hosp., Wakefield.—Miss E. C. Borton.

Cottesmore Hosp., Haverfordwest.—Miss R. Stynes.

V.A. Hosp., West Bridgford, Notts.—Miss E. Lewis.

Red X Hosp., Studley Court, Stourbridge.—Miss K. M. Bidman.

Aux. Mil. Hosp., Darley Dale.—Miss S. A. Wiggins.

Battenhall V.A. Hosp., Worcester.—Miss B. Carey.

Hosp. for Officers, Percival Terrace, Brighton.—Miss A. M. Parsons.

Uplyme V.A. Hosp., nr. Lyme Regis.—Miss D. C. Lang, Miss E. Mercer.

Raddon Court Red X Hosp., Latchford, Warrington.—Miss A. E. Burnett.

Red X Hosp., Huntingdon.—Miss B. Pulman.
Heabonheath Aux. Mil. Hosp., Llanelly.—Miss M. Edwards.

Pentrepont Hall, Oswestry.—Miss B. Carew.

Summerlee Aux. Mil. Hosp., E. Finchley.—Mrs. I. E. Mellor.

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