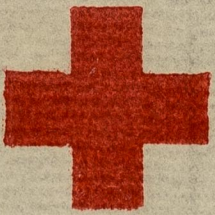


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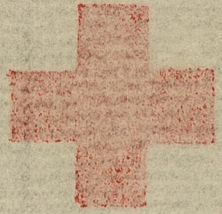
Dearest Mother

Thank you very much for a nice letter which reached us today & also for stamps enclosed in it. The post is still very uncertain so we try to get our letters taken to England by hand - Tomorrow morning several convalescent officers will be leaving & will take letters for us.

We have received our X Ray apparatus from London today & some instruments & other things: all very welcome. We are going to get expert help over their installation tomorrow. We are very busy here & are feeling our work well worth while in spite of great disappointments over individual cases. A very nice Scotswoman has died today. He came in a fortnight ago with a bad scalp wound - but he was convalescent, up & helping the nurses & practically well - & then he died. We let him die. Nearly all these cases die. It is dreadful. We mean to use the anti-tetanic injection in every case on admission as a prophylactic as there is no way of guessing what cases are infected & what are not. I think we may get a gift of serum for this purpose, otherwise the expense will be great. Apparently it is almost unknown to

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saw a patient after the symptoms have developed -

We have injected the spinal canal & have had temporary improvement but always death in the end. It is grievous.

A nice boy came in 2 days ago with a septic amputated foot. I amputated higher up than I hope he will live

He comes from Ipswich

I thought that perhaps

¹⁰⁴ you would call such his people if she happens to be not going from London to Edinburgh.

I am writing to his

brother. The address is Mr. Warren 39 Four Hunter

Ipswich.

I went to see the American Ambulance Hospital today. It is a perfectly gorgeous place. A big new building intended for a girls school has made a wonderful hospital. They have beautiful big airy wards: magnificent sterilization

& X Ray arrangements & will do every thing that money & brains can supply.

It ought to revolutionize

French hospitals to have such a place as that in

Paris. ~~They~~ Dr. Murray & I felt very proud that

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Sir Henry Norman put Haridge's 2nd after the American Ambulance Hospital: & Colonel Stone who is the British Military inspector of the Auxiliary Hospitals in which English wounded are treated put us first: (I imagine not counting the American Ambulance Hospital!)

I have had nice letters from both my maids Annie & Eliza & from Miss Burdett & Ivy telling me that things are going smoothly at the Children's Hospital

It is really a great test to me to be here - we are working hard & the cases are bad & the kind of surgery required is new & responsible but it is going well & it is nice to be able to give ones whom mind to this work — There is no tel phone: & no business letters in the morning: in fact there are no other claims

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Then everyone is frightfully kind to us. & it is an immense joy to have this chance of helping a little bit.

Paris is ~~almost~~ more beautiful than usual. It is so empty & dark & so quiet & the crowds in the streets are so sympathetic. Old women come up to me whenever I go out & press 5f. into my hand or pat it & thank me - & it is very touching.

With much love

Yours Lga.