PREFACE

A longer time than usual has elapsed between the publication of this and the previous pamphlet, due to the fact that many of the letters received in the interval have been from members of our staff who are now having their first experience of trench life and it has been impossible to use much of the material without covering ground already fully dealt with in previous letters.

In spite of the fact that the experiences of our correspondents do not always differ vastly, their varied styles of narration tend to prevent monotony and the interest of our readers in the pamphlet does not appear to have abated.

We received just before going to press the first letters which have arrived from among our men who have participated in the battle of Vimy Ridge. We regret to say that this engagement, too, has added to our already lengthy Honour Roll—a further indication that the absent members of our staff are still nobly doing their bit.