

plan, and she is able to select probationers of a highly desirable class.

Our chapter began with the tragedy of the Augustinians; but a renewal of life has come to the ancient order. In one of the most beautiful of the Paris hospitals, the Boucicaut, the terms of a philanthropist's endowment required that the Sisters of the Hôtel-Dieu should be placed in charge of the wards, and though the hospital remains under the *Assistance publique* the administration accepted the gift with this condition. The Sisters' hospital history is therefore not ended, and they have an opportunity to modernise their methods. It is of interest, too, to see that in the hospital of the Pasteur Institute nuns have been placed by similar request, for this hospital is solely governed by its own trustees. The order placed in charge was a branch of the Irish Sisters of Mercy. The Sisters do all the nursing, having no servants about the patients, wear the prettiest white linen habits, and explain freely the orders and treatment of the cases in the French language with a soft touch of Irish brogue. So progresses the revolution, and over every hospital stand the glorious words: *Liberté; Égalité; Fraternité.*