

voluntarily given, so the Committee started its work without having spent one dollar of the fund

The Canadian Red Cross Society promised to ship all the Committee's boxes, free of charge, to the Canadian Hospitals in France.

Two experienced packers were loaned to the Committee—the one printed the address and contents outside the boxes while the other did the packing. And so the work began in real earnest.

Every department in the Chapter House has its own room. In the office all garments are given out to be made and received when finished. wool and knitting directions for socks are supplied to any who apply for them. The house is open every week-day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6.

In the large sewing-room, which is sunny and bright, various societies of women from the different churches meet to sew in the afternoons, one day Anglican, another Presbyterian or Methodist or Roman Catholic, and it is wonderful how many beautifully finished garments they turn out. Each society has its own locker, and there is always a little competition to see if the Methodists do more than the Presbyterians, or if the Roman Catholics do better work than the Anglicans. In the evenings from 7.30 to 10, women who work at something else all day, come and lend a helping hand in the work for the soldiers, while in the mornings the room is occupied by womens' clubs or little private groups of sewers

In the cutting-out room ladies have cut miles of flannelette both heavy and light weight. It is hard work, but they always have a plentiful supply of dressing gowns, pyjamas, sleeveless

jackets, bed jackets, etc., ready for workers, and never was more friendly rivalry shown in a game of golf, than there has been to see who can get the largest number of pyjamas or bed jackets out of a piece of flannelette.

In another room kit bags are made and filled, and lovely generous bags they are. A kit bag practically outfits a man when he leaves the hospital for the firing line and he is able to make a fresh start in comparative comfort. The Hospital Committee can make the kit bags up more economically than was the case at first, and this has resulted in an increase of the number sent. Altogether one thousand of these bags have been shipped to hospitals in France since the beginning.

Two rooms are devoted to surgical supplies and bandages. At one time there were forty hospitals nurses making dressings, etc. The Committee felt that this important work was being properly done. The surgical department attends to its own packing. Another room is given up to the packers, who are to be seen hard at work every Wednesday and Thursday morning. All the goods are packed in dozens and half-dozens according to regulation. A very bright attractive feature in the work is that of the youngest members of the Committee. The "Tea Girls" started a tea-garden in the large study garden every afternoon except Sunday. They served afternoon tea on pretty flower-bedecorated tables—everything being given. When the cold winds of Autumn make it too uncomfortable to sit out of doors, they begged one of the largest rooms and set to work and stripped the walls of the paper they considered too dull, coaxed a paperhanger to do some re-decorating, stained the floors themselves, and made some pretty chintz curtains and cushions, commandeered