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A MIDNIGHT VISITOR

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To my great sorrow I have had to say good-bye to work in the field, for I have been placed in charge of an infectious disease hospital at Bailleul, a small French town about three miles from Neuve Eglise. The work, however, is full of interest, for we get in a tremendous variety of cases. Thus at the present moment we have examples of the following diseases: measles, German measles, mumps, scarlet fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever and cerebrospinal meningitis. In addition to the hospital itself we have a small farm which is used for suspected cases of cerebrospinal meningitis. There is a regular epidemic of measles raging in this district, and cases are even sent down from the trenches, greatly, as a rule, to the disgust of the patient. The great problem which confronts one each day is how to evacuate