

Food is very scarce, and there is urgent need for surgical supplies and drugs. The epidemic of typhus fever is one of the worst ever known. Dr. Cookingham hopes that all who can will render aid.

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### CANADIAN DOCTORS AND NURSES.

Already the Canadian doctors and nurses are being fully appreciated. So far they have landed safely at some port of Britain, and have been assigned to posts of duty, in connection with the several Canadian hospitals that have recently been sent over; or in connection with some of the hospitals already in operation.

The *Metagama*, carrying No. 3 and 4 General Hospitals, some 1,700 troops, and 150 nurses, landed at Devonport. The steamer came in with all lights out, and was escorted by five torpedo boat destroyers. The nurses were sent on to London and put up at a Bloomsbury hotel. The troops were sent on to Shorncliffe camp. Some of the nurses were soon sent over to France, where their services were very urgently required, and where they are to be temporarily employed until their own hospitals are established. Some were sent to strengthen the staff of the Duchess of Connaught's Hospital.

As soon as the various Canadian hospitals, especially those from the universities are settled for work excellent results are expected from them. The Canadian doctor and the Canadian nurse, like the Canadian soldier, has won high praise in all quarters.

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### COL. G. STERLING RYERSON, M.D.

Dr. G. S. Ryerson is entitled to much praise for his splendid work in connection with the Canadian Red Cross work. He had two sons at the front, and one of these was killed at Langemarck, and the other wounded. As the latter was retiring with others, he saw his brother on the battlefield and picked him up to carry him off, when he was himself hit. Col. Ryerson at the time was in Britain in connection with the Red Cross work.

On hearing the news of the death of one son and the wounding of the other, Mrs. Ryerson sailed for England on the *Lusitania* with her daughter. Mrs. Ryerson lost her life when that steamer was torpedoed, but the daughter in a most miraculous manner escaped.

When the news of the death of one son and the wounding of the other had reached England, at a meeting of the British Red Cross Society Princess Christian moved and the Marchioness of Lansdowne