

and the Christian Post Office Official from Calcutta were opposite the French-Canadian half-breed, whose bright eyes and hectic tinge over high cheek-bones spoke of that slow and insidious disease which carries off so many of the North American Indians. Near the door were the huge Russian Sailor of the Baltic, who enlisted in Canada, and the Maori from New Zealand, who had been a Milk Cart Driver before the war. When asked to say "Ninety-nine" the latter uttered something which sounded like "Iwa-tekau-maiwa." There was likewise in hospital at the same time an aborigine from Australia.

At other times we had in the ward Boers who fought against us in the South African War, a Fiji Islander who was a Carpenter in peaceful times, and a Cingalese who had been something far more prosaic than a Pearl Diver—merely a Labourer on a Tea Plantation. Recently we have had an Eskimo from Labrador.

Naturally enough a convoy of patients is made up largely of men from the same regiment or division, so at one time there was a "run" of Yorkshire Pitmen and Coal Getters and at another time of Drapers' Assistants and Costermongers from London Town. For some weeks we seemed to reserve a particular bed for a Postman, whether he came from North Wales, from Brighton, or from the Modern Athens. The trade of French Polisher appeared to be very popular for a time and also that of Printer's Compositor.

At one end of the hut one day there was a Carman from Guildford, in Surrey, and the next patient questioned, who lay many beds away, said that he followed the same calling, and when asked where he lived, he replied, "In Guildford." These two were formally introduced and, strange as it may appear, they had not known each other before. Members of this profession call themselves Carters or Car Drivers or Carmen or Draymen, but most often Carmen. This employment of Carman carries with it a certain position of importance, for several patients have stated that their former occupation was that of Assistant Carman! It seems that these latter have