

The visitors' books at the Bordeaux schools contain the names of almost all the prominent men in public life, especially those in the administration of public charities (including hospitals) under the Department of the Interior. There came the *Préfets* from many districts; deputations from city governments; officers of the French Medical Association and university professors; statesmen especially interested in philanthropy and social reform, such as Strauss and Rivière; political economists, such as Mabileau; a former governor-general of the colonies of Indo-China; an inspector of charities from Algeria; and Casimir Perier, an ex-President of the Republic. The King of Spain stopped one time on his way home and was taken all about by Dr. Lande. He expressed great pleasure at all he saw, complimented the nurses, and took a bunch of flowers to the Queen from Mlle. Yparraguire, a young Spanish probationer. Finally, an important development was heralded by the appearance of emissaries from the Department of State and the War Office. M. Étienne, when Minister of War, made rounds in the Tondu accompanied by the whole military staff of Bordeaux; General Picquart, when occupying the same office, appeared at Cambrai, where Mme. Gardiol from the Protestant Hospital was in charge; one under-secretary of state descended upon Mlle. Luigi at Béziers; another, Chéron, whose surprise visits of inspection became famous, came unheralded one evening in 1908 to the Tondu, and, accompanied only by Dr. Lande and Miss Elston, went into every nook and corner, cross-questioned the patients and nurses, who did not know who he was, got light on every detail from Miss