

the appreciation the men have for Red Cross work we quote the following extract from a letter of a Red Cross nurse:

"If the women at home could once
 "see the happiness of these poor boys,
 "when we take them off the trains
 "from the front, bathe them, change
 "the dressings of their wounds, put
 "comfortable shirts on them and lay
 "them in cool, clean beds, there would
 "never be lack of shirts or sheets or
 "dressings or anything else that we
 "need in our work. Men who have
 "faced the horrors of the trenches
 "unshaken, shed tears of joy and re-
 "lief when we get them settled in our
 "wards. They often say it is worth
 "being wounded just to be between
 "sheets again."

Call For Work.

Miss Reynolds, the convenor of our Red Cross, or a member of her committee, will be at the Red Cross rooms in the Hope Building, Sparks street, every day except Saturdays from 4 to 6 o'clock.

It is suggested that if you are not already enrolled as an active worker, that you call at once and either work for an hour at the rooms or else take some work home.

Many of the girls who are living at home and have sewing machines might form little circles of eight or ten of their friends, meet to sew at least a couple of times a week and select whatever they want to work on.

One such circle of women have devoted its energies to making pyjamas and it is amazing the speed that has been acquired. At first none of them knew how to make the garment, but the directions were carefully followed and it is very gratifying to them to turn out so much work.

Don't delay and miss your opportunity,—call for work to-day. Take the elevator to the first floor up and our Red Cross room is right there.

Thank You, Mr. O'Hara.

Consternation reigned supreme in the Service when the report of Dr. Sparling's remarks appeared in the local papers. It came so like a bolt from the blue and was so undeserved and quite untrue that most women civil servants were astonished rather than indignant. Whatever had we done to deserve it?

We are all so grateful to Mr. F. C. T. O'Hara, Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce, for the interview he granted *The Citizen*, in which he took up the cudgels in defence of the civil servants in no mistakeable manner. But, then, Mr. O'Hara knows whereof he speaks,—he knows the Civil Service thoroughly and is qualified to have an opinion on the subject. Just there is the rub! The Service is too often the victim of sweeping assertions made by people who really know nothing of the subject and, like Dr. Sparling, are lead into indiscretions.

Of course we accept Dr. Sparling's correction of his remarks, but surely an apology would have been more in order.

Motor Show Buffet.

The women of the Civil Service were not slow to seize the opportunity of contributing their quota of workers to the patriotic motor show.

Miss Burt took charge of the buffet on Thursday afternoon and evening and had to help her Miss Ina Blackburn and a committee composed of Miss Dorothy Barber, Miss Muriel Robertson, Miss Ella Dickinson, Miss Florence Brown, Miss Mildred Kinsman, Miss Phyllis Hurlbeit, Miss Jessie Hilliard, Miss Irene Sharp, Miss Rita Duhamel and Miss Jean Dunnet.

In spite of a huge crowd, everything was managed admirably, and the women feel amply repaid for their strenuous evening.

The latest report puts the proceeds of the show in the neighborhood of \$2,500, all of which goes to patriotic purposes.