textiles bought, cut, stitched, dipped, dried and sent overseas, 160,000 protective pads had been distributed to our front-line troops within sixty hours—a truly wonderful achievement. Before the "Great War" ended no less than 55,000,000 respirators of various kinds had been made, largely to his specifications.

In the light of such evidence it is perhaps not too much to claim that but few individual officers contributed more of practical value and applied science to our victory of 1918 than did Sir William Heaton Horrocks.

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NOTES ON THE MEDICAL SERVICES OF A DIVISION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS."

DEAR SIR,—Reference the Article "Notes on the Medical Services of a Division," in the March number of the Journal. I would be obliged if you will make the following corrections in the Text:

Page 130, line five, for "show" read "know."
Page 134, line six, for "D.P.s" read "D.R.s"
Page 134, para. seven, should read, "With the present equipment... defensive positions, that are not going lightly to be permitted to fall into enemy hands, the A.D.S. should be..." etc.

The substance of these notes was prepared in July and August, 1940, and a considerable delay occurred after submission for censorship before they were printed in the Journal.

Since August, 1940, a considerable modification in the tactical handling of a Field Ambulance has taken place. This is most particularly marked in the Subdivision of the Companies into sections.

Many of the remarks in the article should therefore be read in conjunction with this change in tactics. The basic principles remain the same and I am convinced that the Section principle is a sound one. It is to be hoped that the scheme of forming Sections of the Field Ambulances, for close liaison with the infantry battalions is the germ of the idea of making the Field Ambulance a true evacuating unit and that the process of evolution will result in the introduction of more vehicles to enable us, having collected our casualties, to evacuate them with the utmost speed to the place where their injuries can receive the treatment they so urgently need.

I would be obliged if you can see your way to publishing this apologia for the apparent "out of dateness" of some of the remarks in the article referred to above.

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Yours, etc.,

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April 11, 1941.