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England," our reporter was told. More than one member of the party said that the care they received from the British will never be forgotten.

A large contingent of troops belonging to the former Burma army was on board of H.M.S. "Devonshire" which took our countrymen from Singapore to England. All the officers on board voluntarily gave up their berths to the female members of the party, and the soldiers made great friends with the children. Thus the long and tedious journey was made as agreeable as possible for them.

We heartily join our compatriots in thanking the British authorities for the help and support they have extended to them.

When the Leader of one of the parties expressed his appreciation to the officer in charge, for all the help given to them, he was told that it was little they had done, in comparison with the great services the International Red Cross in Geneva has rendered to millions of their fellow men. A gratifying and generous remark in a time where services rendered are apt to be forgotten.

By the time this perhaps inadequate report will be read, our countrymen, who have lost everything, will have arrived in Switzerland. It is a sad homecoming; many are too old to start a new career; some are broken in health, others have lost courage to fight the bitter battle of life.

Let us hope that they will be received with kindness and generosity, which are traditions of our country for all who have suffered, so that, after years of privations and agonies they will be able to look forward to a brighter and happier future.

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#### CHANGES AT THE SWISS BANK CORPORATION.

The Swiss Bank Corporation announces the retirement of Mr. S. Lorsignol, Manager of the London Office. Mr. Pierre de Wolff, hitherto a manager, becomes Chief Manager in London, while Mr. H. W. Comfort and Mr. Marc Spitzer, hitherto deputy-managers, become managers.

Mr. Samuel Lorsignol, whose retirement from the Swiss Bank Corporation in London is announced, has for many years been a respected figure in banking circles and is well-known to most members of the Swiss Colony. Mr. Lorsignol had early banking experience in London where at the *Crédit Lyonnais* he worked with Mr. Dapples and Mr. Sidney Jones, so that when he came to the Swiss Bank Corporation as a Manager in 1924 he was returning to familiar scenes. He came to London from Paris where he had spent a short time, but prior to that had achieved a name and a wide connection in the Argentine, to which country he went in 1912 as a manager of the Buenos Aires office of the *Banque Française et Italienne pour l'Amérique du Sud* which was formed at that time with his very active collaboration. Here he became the good friend of many of the Swiss citizens who had established themselves in Buenos Aires and formed many connections which have ripened into lifelong friendships.

During his years as a Manager of the Bank in Gresham Street, Mr. Lorsignol had won the respect and affection of very wide circles who have appreciated and benefited by his unfailing grasp of any problem submitted to him and his fearless and outspoken opinions on the financial and economic problems of the day.

As a result of the war, Mr. Lorsignol had "done a lot of overtime" under most strenuous conditions and now that he is at last free to relinquish the reins he has so long held, we unite with his colleagues and his staff in wishing him many years of health in which to enjoy his well-earned leisure.

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