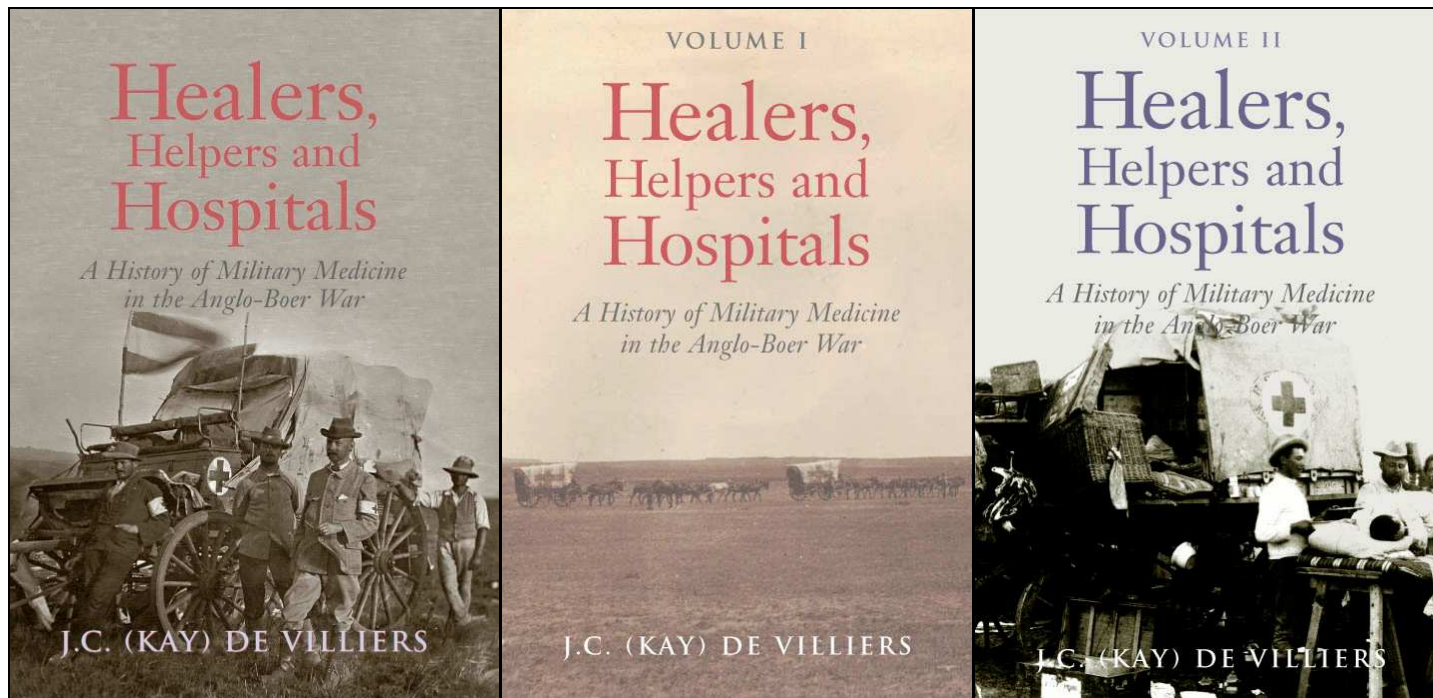


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The Anglo-Boer War (1899–1902) was a “little war” fought in a remote corner of the British Empire. This conflict in Southern Africa, however, represented a watershed in military medicine, and the way armies take care of their soldiers in war. This extensive work covers all military medical aspects of the conflict: from the influence of Red Cross societies and foreign aid from Belgium, Germany, Russia, Switzerland, the United States of America and the Netherlands to the clinical aspects of military medical care. *Healers, helpers and hospitals* contributes to our canon on this war which continues to intrigue readers and historians from all over the world.

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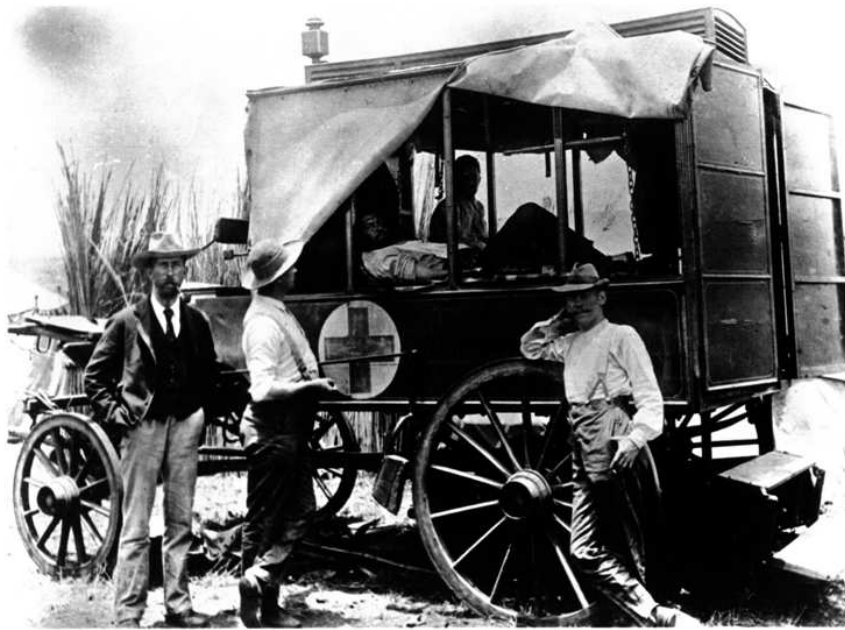
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