

The Hospital World.

THE CHINESE ISOLATION HOSPITAL, SHANGHAI.

We are apt to think of China as a country where a high degree of civilisation in matters literary and artistic obtains, but which is resolutely closed to the introduction of the most elementary principles of sanitation and hygiene from the Western standpoint. It will, therefore, come as a surprise to many that in the far away port of

ground floor, with the exception of the living rooms, is paved with concrete. The hospital comprises two rows of wards, each twenty-two feet long, and connected at four points by the administrative and other offices. The wings form three quadrangles, and all the buildings looking on to these quadrangles have wide verandahs, to which there is easy access by wide casement windows. The main entrance, shown in our illustration, opens through the front building into the central quadrangle, and the building is principally devoted to the dispensary and waiting rooms for out-



The Isolation Hospital for Chinese, Shanghai. Main Entrance.

Shanghai, which stands on the shores of the blue waters of the Pacific Ocean, there is a fine up-to-date hospital, where Chinese sufferers from infectious diseases are effectively isolated. By the kind permission of the editor of the *Surveyor* we are able to publish a picture of this interesting building, the plans for which were prepared by Mr. C. Mayne, engineer to the Shanghai Municipal Council, in accordance with the suggestions of Dr. Stanley, the Medical Officer of Health. The buildings are treated externally in Chinese style, and the roofs are covered with Chinese tiles, but the walls are constructed of solid brick, and the

patients. There are three lavatory blocks, each of which contains a fully-equipped bathroom. The sanitary arrangements of the building, as well as the ventilation and drainage, have received thorough and special attention, and the whole hospital is lighted by electricity. Accommodation is provided for 150 patients. Will the sojourn of Chinese patients in this hospital help to a better understanding of the inscrutable yellow man? Time will show. But it is certain that one of the most hopeful methods of bridging the cleavage between the east and the west is in the care by occidentals of the oriental sick.

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