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of which we give in another column, namely, the establishment of a central body, under the control of the authorities at Whitehall, to be named the British Central Committee of the Red Cross. This decision has been arrived at after consultation between representatives of the various societies already existing, with the heads of the Army Medical Service, upon the initiative of Lord Lansdowne. The Societies represented at this Conference were the National Society for Aid to the Sick and Wounded in War, the St. John's Ambulance Association, and the Army Nursing Reserve. So far, as our readers are well aware, the nursing arrangements for the sick and wounded, even in connection with our own wars, have been quite inadequate for our needs, in the event of a war of any importance; and with regard to rendering nursing aid to other nations, we have at present no organization whatever. The number



