

premises, now indispensable for the training of modern nurses as well as hostel space for the entire staff.

A much prized treasure that is to be built into it is a brick from Florence Nightingale's house in London, which was sent to us as a gift by the British College of Nurses.

The Mayor of Hankow then gave an address expressing his joy and encouragement in such a ceremony. When so many had stopped all building schemes and were discouraged about the future, it gave him courage, he said, to see our Christian faith thus expressed in the building of our new school.

He also said warm words of thanks for our care of the wounded. Just before the service began, he had visited our Red Cross Emergency Hospital and talked with many of the patients and was delighted with the arrangement made for their comfort.

He then took the handsome little trowel we had presented

praise Him for the friends at home who sent us here to be faithful workmen in the building up of His temple on earth.

**HORRORS IN SPAIN AND CHINA.**

The terrible conditions in Spain and China owing to ruthless slaughter of men, women and children, continues unabated. Starvation, crime and misery would appear to be rampant and the Great Powers are apparently unable to unite to stop this appalling destruction of life and priceless national monuments. England is not the England we knew in the last century, or she would not be content to await on expediency. We have not failed in generosity—we have sent cash and "comforts" but it is not enough—we wonder with Miss Stephenson, whose letter from Hankow proves that our nurses as usual are to be found at the post of duty—bombs or no bombs—why more determined action is not being taken by the Great Powers—or are they Great Powers no longer?



**EMERGENCY HOSPITAL FOR WOUNDED IN WAREHOUSE, HANKOW.**  
Miss G. E. Stephenson and Chinese Nurses.

The Lord Mayor's Appeal for the Fund for the Relief of Distress in China amounts to close on £100,000, including a gift of £4,000 from a donor who wishes only to be known as "Regulus." Of the above amount £75,000 has already been sent to China, mostly in cash but also in supplies of drugs and surgical instruments.

The Lord Mayor wishes it to be known that the need grows more desperate and urgent, and hopes that there

to him and laid the foundation stone. In a cavity of the stone he laid a leaden box containing a set of papers and reports giving the history of the hospital and the training of nurses in this city during the last seventy years.

Who will unearth that box, one wonders, in some future generation and be interested to discover that set of historical papers? The ceremony concluded by the nurses singing, "We build our School on Thee."

The day passed peacefully and one and all took heart with renewed faith in the future. Whatever comes, God is our leader and He calls us ever to go forward in the building up of His Kingdom.

"He who would valiant be  
'Gainst all disaster,  
Let him in constancy  
Follow the Master."

In these sad troubled days, our hearts especially rejoice that we have such a glorious Master to follow, and we

are still many who will welcome the opportunity of doing something to relieve the distress and suffering, especially in the interior districts of China.

**THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.**

The Standing Commission of the International Red Cross held a meeting at the Headquarters of the British Red Cross Society in London on the morning of January 24th, to determine the Agenda and arrangements of the Sixteenth International Red Cross Conference, which is to meet in London from June 20th to 24th, 1938.

Queen Mary has consented to become Patroness of the British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John Hospital Library, the work of which is being increasingly regarded as essential to up-to-date hospital authorities.

The large majority of patients find reading a great solace.

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