

acts of personal service!" "Be good citizens!" "Take part in a clean living campaign in school!" "Find out about how to choose our life work!" "Know something about great heroes of service and what other nations need from us for the good of the world!"

"There," said the leader, as he finished jotting down the answers on the blackboard, "you have worked out the training programme you need, and it is almost the same as the leaders in our churches have planned. You see there is nothing very new in this, only bringing together what you are already doing in part in connection with your homes, schools, churches and Sunday Schools. The only additional requirement is one mid-week meeting a week for about six months each year to relate all these separate things in one training programme through your organized Sunday School class.



The Kongmoon Hospital

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The Marian Barclay Hospital at Kongmoon, South China, is situated on a fine site on the bank of the West River. It is immediately in front of the compound where the missionaries live.

When the compound was purchased, the land on which the hospital now stands could not be obtained, the owner being a very wealthy man and unwilling to part with it. As this was the most suitable site for a hospital in the neighborhood, and as without it the mission property would be cut off from the river, a strong effort was made by the missionaries to induce the owner to sell it, but for a long time without success.

The way in which it was finally obtained serves to illustrate the value of medical work in breaking down the opposition of the people in a new field. The owner of the property, Lo Lan Shang, as is usual with wealthy men in China, had several wives. One of these, who was a favorite of her husband, became ill, and, as her condition baffled the native physicians, the mission doctors were summoned as a last resort. They went to his home and treated the sick woman and were instrumental in bringing her back to health.

Mr. Lo was so much pleased with this

proof of the efficacy of foreign medicine, that he not only gave a large fee to the doctors for their service, but also agreed to sell the land which the mission had so long wished to obtain for a hospital.

The bargain was at once concluded and the erection of the hospital proceeded with. When the missionaries visited Mr. Lo to have the necessary documents drawn up, he remarked that, if the land were required for any other purpose than for a hospital, no amount of money would have tempted him to part with it.

The hospital, which has now been completed for several years, is capable of accommodating 40 or 50 patients. In front of the hospital, on the bank of the river, is a large sign board showing, in Chinese characters which can be read far out upon the river, the name and purpose of the institution. So well known has the hospital and its work now become, that even in the remote sections of our field we often meet those who give us a more hearty welcome when they know that we are connected with it.

During the fighting of a few months ago, when Kongmoon was besieged by the revolutionary army, the leader appeared one morning before the hospital in one of the steam launches which he had commandeered and, sending for Dr. McDonald, he told him that he had brought some men who had been wounded in the fighting, and promised to pay all expenses if they would be received into the hospital and attended to.

These and others of the revolutionary soldiers were taken in and cared for and, a few days later, when the Government soldiers retook the city, the officer in charge also brought his wounded men to the hospital for treatment. For several weeks the accommodation was taxed to provide for the needs of the wounded soldiers of both armies.

Some of the soldiers, during their stay in the hospital, became very much interested in the gospel. The care and sympathy showed them very favorably impressed not only the men themselves, but their leaders as well and, in any future troubles which may break out, they may be counted on as friends of our Mission.

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