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other great humanitarian institutions of our time, by affirming a spirit of peace in the midst of war, defends peace and inclines men towards work of human solidarity.

In concluding his chapter on humanitarian activity in the service of peace, Mr. Schou writes : " If there has sometimes been disagreement over the importance of the Red Cross in the cause of peace, no doubts have ever been expressed regarding the inspiring influence which that institution has had on the development of the international bodies of co-operation. The Geneva Convention is the first example we have of States having concluded agreements of a purely humanitarian nature. It served as the model for similar conventions, especially as regards the Slave-Trade."

The author analyses the work of the Peace Conferences at The Hague in 1899 and 1907 ; he ends the volume with a study of internationalist ideas from the end of the last century.

We now see the accomplishment of this monumental work, published in French, the first volume of which appeared in 1919, and to which one will refer in future, in order to learn about the whole development of internationalist thought from ancient times. In the light of this, the Red Cross truly appears as one of the important stages on the long path mankind has followed towards a world at peace.

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TRIBUTE TO HENRY DUNANT

" The Geneva Committee for the Henry Dunant Memorial " has just published a booklet of some forty pages, which contains the texts of the speeches delivered on May 8, 1963, on the unveiling of the Memorial to Henry Dunant's memory which was erected in Geneva and financed by public collection. A photograph shows the statue which can be seen in Geneva's Parc des Bastions. The booklet also contains a short biography on the sculptor of the memorial, Jacques Probst.