

"THE INTERNATIONAL IDEA."

Introduced by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, supported by Mrs. May Wright Sewall, Vice-President of the International Council of Women.

It having been represented to the Executive Committee of the Matrons' Council that it would be of great interest to many ladies interested in nursing and hospital management to be present at the Conference, it has been arranged that free tickets of admission can be obtained by application to Miss M. Breay, Hon. Sec., 46, York Street, Portman Square, W.

SPECIAL HOSPITALITY FOR NURSES.

Miss Isla Stewart, Matron of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, has issued invitations to the Trained Nurses, and will also invite other Members of the Congress interested in Nursing and Hospital work, to Tea at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, on Wednesday, June 28th, at 4 p.m.

Coming Events.

June 10th.—Annual Meeting Royal British Nurses' Association, Westminster Town Hall, 3.

June 11th.—Hospital Sunday.

June 12th.—Royal Female Orphan Asylum half-yearly court and election.

June 14th.—Hon. Walter Rothschild, M.P., will preside at a festival dinner of the Throat Hospital, Golden Square, to be held at the Whitehall Rooms.

Anniversary festival of the Royal Caledonian Asylum, Colonel Hector MacDonald presiding.

The Duchess of Albany lays the Foundation Stone of the new Hospital of the Nursing Sisters of St. John the Divine, Lewisham, 5.

June 15th.—University College Hospital—Annual Banquet, Whitehall Rooms, Hôtel Métropole.

June 21st.—Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, opens (and presides at the Hospital Stall) the Bazaar in aid of Charing Cross Hospital Special Appeal Fund, Royal Albert Hall.

June 23rd.—The Duke and Duchess of York visit Chalfont St. Peter, to open four new Homes for Epileptics.

June 26th.—The Duke and Duchess of York open the New Building of the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital in City Road, at 3.30.

National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies.

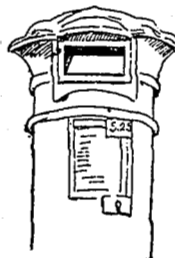
QUEEN'S HALL MEETING, THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH, AT 8 P.M.

Mrs. Henry Fawcett, LL.D., in the Chair.

The Lady Henry Somerset, Miss Susan B. Anthony (U.S.A.), The Rt. Hon. Leonard Courtney, M.P., Mr. Faithfull Begg, M.P., Hon. Mrs. Arthur Lyttelton, Hon. W. P. Reeves (Agent-General for New Zealand), Mrs. Wynford Philipps, and the Hon. J. A. Cockburn (Agent-General for South Australia), are expected to address the meeting.

Letters to the Editor.

NOTES, QUERIES, &c.



Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not in ANY WAY hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS.

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

DEAR MADAM,—The notice which you published recently in the NURSING RECORD of the forthcoming International Congress of Women is, extremely interesting, and we women will do well to make the best of so unique an opportunity. The arrangements for the nursing session are, indeed, excellent; certainly we have never before in this country had the opportunity of hearing and seeing so many notabilities in the Nursing World. Their names are, of course, household words, and it will be a great pleasure and privilege to hear their views on the subject of professional interest upon which they are down to speak. We should move on some degrees in this country after conference with so many leading nurses of other nations.

I am very glad to see that the Matrons' Council, with its usual sense of responsibility, has arranged to have its Annual Conference during the Congress. Those of us who were present at its Conference last year will all, I am sure, wish to be there again, and as there will be many strangers in London at that time, and the Programme is a very interesting one, this Second Conference will, no doubt, be an even greater success than the one which we remember with so much pleasure. Altogether, I am getting quite impatient for the coming of the Congress. Thanking you for your constant efforts for the good of the Nursing Profession,

I am, dear Madam,
Yours faithfully,
PROGRESS.

"NURSE ISABEL."

To the Editor of "The Nursing Record."

DEAR MADAM,—May I say a word in favour of "Nurse Isabel?" She may have been vain, but it is recorded of her that in appearance when on duty she was sympathetically dressed—exquisitely neat and fresh looking—and she was also extremely particular about her shoes. From the appearance of numerous nurses one meets in the streets, one could wish that they also would turn their vanity (for all human beings are more or less vain) to the same good account, especially in regard to shoes. Shoes are an index of a woman's character, but to see feet suitably shod is the exception rather than the rule. With the warm weather I have met nurses wearing white and yellow shoes in uniform; also open work brown stockings, and various other unseemly articles of clothing. Would that they had the taste—I feel sure they possess the vanity—of Nurse Isabel.

Yours truly,
A MALE PATIENT.

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