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District Nurse.—The eyes of a newly born infant should be immediately cleansed with a weak solution of warm boracic lotion. Absorbent wool is the best form of sponge. It should be an invariable rule to bathe each eye separately

and away from the nose, so that if there is infectious matter in one eye it will not be communicated to the other. The same rule should be followed in the subsequent bathings. Much suffering, and even life-long blindness, would be avoided if this were always carefully done. If any discharge is noticed in the eyes of an infant the advice of a medical practitioner should be obtained without delay. This cannot be too strongly impressed upon parents, as every hour is of importance, and loss of sight may result if prompt measures are not taken.

Trained Nurse.—If you think of attending the Buffalo Congress you should book your passage soon, as in August all the best liners are very full, and you may find, if you defer taking it, that you are unable to obtain a berth nearer the time.

Irish Matron.—The International Council of Nurses was founded in London, in 1899, at the time of the International Council of Women. By the desire of the members in other countries who were present in London at the time, the British members were empowered to draw up a draft constitution, which was then printed and sent round to all the members for consideration and suggestions. In due course these papers were returned, and the suggestions made received careful consideration. The revised constitution was then adopted.

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