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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.


THE formation of a National Council of Women for the United Kingdom is a matter in which Nurses may be expected to take considerable interest, and to which, therefore, some consideration may well be devoted in these columns. The British National Council is the natural outcome of a movement which has been in progress in other lands, for some years past, for the better co-operation and organisation of women's work. In several countries, such National Councils are already, or are now being, formed, and these are being, and in the future will still more closely be, drawn together by means of the International Council of Women, which is composed of representatives of each National Council.

In Great Britain, the work of inaugurating the new movement has been confided by the International Council to Mrs. Eva MacLaren and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, the former acting as foreign corresponding secretary and the latter as honorary secretary of the new organisation. The objects of the Council are:—

(1) To unite all organised Societies of Women for mutual counsel and co-operation, for the attainment of justice and freedom, and for all that makes for the good of humanity.

(2) To encourage the formation of societies of women engaged in trades, professions, and in social and political work, in connection with which no organised union at present exists.

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