

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2.30—4.30. The Countess of Aberdeen presiding.

Paper 3.—“The Organization of Trained Nurses’ Alumnæ Associations.” By Mrs. Hampton Robb, President of the National Associated Alumnæ of the United States and Canada.

Paper 4.—“The Victorian Order of Nurses of Canada.” Miss Scovil, Member of the Order.

Some well known nurses, and doctors interested in nursing, will be present at the Congress from the United States, South America, Canada, New Zealand, Russia, Germany, Holland, Sweden, and Denmark, all prepared, I believe, to take part in the discussions; and several British nurses are carefully considering the points in the professional programme, on which they hope to speak.

I would point out to trained nurses, therefore, that so much interest is already being evinced in the Nursing Sessions, at which the Papers are to be presented by women holding such eminent positions in the nursing profession, that as the Council Chamber at Westminster, where the Conference will take place, only holds 300 persons, it will be very necessary for those who wish to be present to be there early, so as to secure seats. Tickets of membership of the International Congress should be taken at once, price 7s. 6d. and 5s.; but owing to the fact that numerous nurses will be unable to spare time to attend the week’s Congress, they will be admitted to single sessions upon the payment of 1s. at the door, some seats, of course, being reserved for Members of Congress.

THE MATRONS’ COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Furthermore, the Matrons’ Council of Great Britain and Ireland, realizing the importance of the occasion and the benefit to all nurses, of personal intercourse, and exchange of experiences between nurses of various nations, have arranged the following programme:—

June 30th, 8 p.m.

Dinner at the Criterion Restaurant,

Miss Isla Stewart presiding.

“To meet Mrs. May Wright Sewall, Vice-President of the International Council of Women, and the Hon. Members of the Matrons’ Council.” All foreign nurses attending the Congress will be invited to be present at this dinner, at which the Badge of the Society will be presented by the Chairman to the Hon. Members.

July 1st, 10.30 a.m.

Annual Conference of the Matrons’ Council at 20, Hanover Square, W.

PROGRAMME.

Short address of welcome by the Chairman of the Council, followed by ten minutes’ Papers with discussion on Questions of Interest on—

1. The Balance of Power in Hospital Administration.
2. The Value of Discipline in Training.
3. The Work of Women on Hospital Boards.

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, I have pleasure in announcing that free tickets of admission can be obtained by application to myself at the address given below.

I sincerely hope that the members of the Nursing Profession will not permit themselves to be influenced by the unworthy tactics adopted by the Editor of the *Hospital* to sow dissension in their professional ranks. Those who have devoted so much time and thought to the organization of this great International Congress of Women have but one object in so doing—the advancement of the best interests of the Nursing Profession.

MARGARET BREAY,

Hon. Sec. Professional Sub-Committee,
International Congress of Women.

Work well Done.

SISTER ALICIA, of the All Saints’ Community, has been succeeded as Matron of the New Somerset Hospital, Cape Town, by Sister Mary Agatha, and the Committee of that institution have addressed to her a letter of thanks for her valuable services to all denominations. Sister Alicia was well known in the nursing world at home, before she became a religious sister, and at St. Bartholomew’s Hospital, where she received her training, and afterwards became Sister Stanley, she was a very great favourite. Afterwards, she held the important position of Matron at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, so that even the Community of All Saints, which numbers amongst its members many most excellent Nursing Sisters, can scarcely have many who are as well qualified as Sister Alicia by her previous experience, for the position of Matron. We much regret, therefore, that other duties have claimed her, and that the New Somerset Hospital loses her valuable services.

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