

nurses. The proceedings of the Nurses' Conference will require time for due consideration, as the following agenda indicates:—

AGENDA.

1. Minutes.
 2. Presidential Address.
 3. To receive General and Financial Reports.
 4. To appoint Scrutineers of the Nomination Papers for the offices of President, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurer.
 5. To consider the affiliation of National Councils.
 6. To consider the adoption of Official Organs.
 7. To define the method of work for the next Quinquennial period.
 8. To receive Reports from affiliated countries on:—
 - (A) Legislation effected for Trained Nurses—
 - (a) By State Registration.
 - (b) Under Government Departments in the Army and the Navy.
 - (B) Education.

To define a curriculum of education and a minimum standard qualifying for registration as a trained nurse.
 9. The appointment of Hon. Officers.
- Other business.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONGRESS VISITORS FROM ENGLAND.

MADAM,—Will you kindly allow me space in your valuable paper to call the attention of your readers to the fact that I am making arrangements for those who wish to attend the International Nursing Conference at Berlin to do so at a reasonable rate. The cost for the journey there and back, board and lodging in Berlin, will be only £7 15s. 6d. This means second-class railway and first-class steamer accommodation, with comfortable quarters in Berlin, the trip occupying ten days. Of course, the time can be lengthened at a slight additional expense. As the Congress week commences on June 12th, I intend to arrange for our party to reach Berlin on the 10th, to give us time to settle down before the Congress begins and to see something of the town. I should be glad if any Matrons, Sisters, nurses, or their friends who wish to join our party would let me know as soon as possible, so that I shall know for how many I shall have to provide. I shall not close the list or require the money until May 7th, because I know how difficult it is to arrange one's holidays definitely so long beforehand; but if those who only think they can come will tell me in time, it will be a great assistance.

I believe I am right in saying that the papers at the Nursing Conference and the debates will be in English, so that they will not be a sealed book for us. I attended the American Congress of Nurses at Buffalo, and if we have half as interesting and delightful a time as I had then, we shall have one of the pleasantest experiences in our lives to look back upon.

I shall be glad to answer all inquiries. Perhaps I may mention that I speak German fluently.

Yours faithfully,

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We hope that many representative nurses will make an effort to attend the Congress at Berlin, more especially that the Organising Committee may have the pleasure of inviting them to take part in the discussions on nursing matters on the agenda for the First Quinquennial Meeting of the International Council of Nurses. We hear already of a goodly number who intend, if possible, to be present, and from past experience of such gatherings we agree with Miss Mollett, that they will thoroughly enjoy the experience if they carry their intention into effect.

In a letter from New York, just to hand, Miss Sophia Palmer, the editor of the *American Journal of Nursing*, writes:—"There seems to be a great deal of interest here in the coming Congress at Berlin. Miss Thornton, the secretary of the National Associated Alumnae of Nurses of the United States, expects to take over a party of at least fifty, and doubtless there will be many more. I regret that I shall be unable to be present. But as I was one of the fortunate few among American women to be in London at the time of the Congress there in 1899, I try to be reconciled to staying at home while others can go."

The combined attendance of English, Scotch, and Irish nurses should at least be equal to the number who will cross the Atlantic to take part in furthering international goodwill amongst the women of the world. E. G. F.

The Nursing Movement in Germany.

By Miss LAVINIA L. DOCK.

A short time ago we gave some extracts from a paper by Agnes Karll, showing the new tendency of German nurses to become independent of their training-schools and to organise among themselves as American nurses have done.

That Agnes Karll is a woman of fine and strong character and serious purpose is evident from her writings. But in an article called "Nursing Associations Contrasted with Free Nursing Unions," by Clementine von Wallmenich, the head of a notable Red Cross motherhouse in Munich, it may be seen how a nurse and woman of equally fine and lovely character and of equal earnestness views the situation from an exactly opposite standpoint.

Fräulein von Wallmenich, while a conservative by birth and training, is by nature liberal and progressive, as is shown by the innovations she has in-

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