

THE INCORPORATED SOCIETY OF
TRAINED MASSEUSES.

CONSULTATIVE COUNCILS—MINISTRY
OF HEALTH.

MEMBERS' CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 2-4, 1919.

The following most interesting Conference has been arranged to take place this week, and will be, no doubt, widely attended.

PROGRAMME.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND.

11 a.m. Lecture by Capt. Wood Jones, R.A.M.C., on "What we know of Ourselves," at the Royal Society of Arts, 18, John Street, Adelphi, W.C. 2.

2.30 p.m. Major Elmslie, R.A.M.C., will lecture on "Deformities of the Spine," at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C., after which, by kind permission of the authorities, members may visit various departments of the hospital.

6 p.m. Lecture on "Diathermy, with Notes on the Melted Paraffin Wax Bath and Tungsten Arc Light," by Capt. Humphris, R.A.M.C., at the Armitage Hall, 224, Great Portland Street, W. 1, kindly lent by the National Institute for the Blind.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD.

11 a.m. Lecture by Dr. Justina Wilson on "Diseases of the Respiratory Tract," at the Royal Society of Arts.

2.15 p.m. Visits to various departments at St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E. 1, by kind permission of the authorities, to be followed at

3.15 p.m. By a demonstration of gymnastic work in connection with the treatment of War Pensioners, &c., by Miss Randell, Sister-in-Charge of the Massage and Exercises Department.

4.15 p.m. Through the courtesy of the hospital authorities tea will be served to members.

6 p.m. Lecture by Col. A. H. Tubby, C.B., C.M.G., on "Stiffness of Joints," at the Royal Society of Arts.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH.

11 a.m. Lecture and Demonstration by Major Mackay, R.A.M.C., on "Muscle Re-education," at the Royal Society of Arts.

Tickets, duly filled in, *must* be produced for admission to any part of the Conference.

The members of the Journal Sub-Committee will be acting as stewards throughout the Conference, and will be wearing dark red and blue badges. They will be glad to be of use in answering questions, giving directions, or helping in any way those attending the Conference.

TIRED NATURE'S SWEET RESTORER—
BALMY SLEEP.

He—like the world—
His ready visit pays
When fortune smiles,
The wretched he forsakes.
Swift on his downy pinions
Flees from woe,
And lights on lids
Unsullied with a tear.

The Ministry of Health announces:—

"When the Ministry of Health Bill was before Parliament, it was made clear that the Ministry when established would seek advice on a variety of subjects within its province from advisory bodies chosen so as to include men and women with full practical knowledge of the questions on which they would be asked to advise. These bodies are called in the Act Consultative Councils and their constitution and functions will be found in the Order in Council of August 18th, 1919. In the case of England they will be four in number and will consist of the Consultative Council on Medical and Allied Services, the Consultative Council on National Health Insurance, the Consultative Council on Local Health Administration and the Consultative Council on General Health Questions. The Secretary will be Mr. Michael Heseltine, C.B., Ministry of Health, Whitehall, S.W. 1. The Councils will consist of twenty members each, including a chairman and vice-chairman, but they may, for special purposes, appoint committees on which other persons may be co-opted, so that particular problems will be considered with the help of those who have made them a special study.

"The membership of the Consultative Council on General Health Questions, which will also be twenty in number, is not yet completely settled, but at least half of its members will be women."

CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL ON MEDICAL AND ALLIED SERVICES.

"To this Council will be referred such problems as the national development and extension of medical, nursing and midwifery work, and it is proposed that for some purposes it should, in accordance with the arrangement outlined above, act through committees more specialised than the Council itself. Its members have been chosen from the fields of specialist medicine and surgery, general practice, both private and insurance, the public health services, the work of women in medicine (particularly the care of mothers and infants), hospital administration, and the application of other branches of science to medicine.

"It is intended that when questions are under consideration that specially affect the nursing and midwifery services of the country, the Council should be assisted by the appointment of a Committee consisting partly of its own members, but also including practising nurses and midwives and other persons, not members of the Council, who have devoted themselves specially to the study of nursing and midwifery questions."

The Council will consist of the following:—

Chairman: Sir Bertrand Dawson, G.C.V.O., C.B., M.D., F.R.C.P.

Vice-Chairman: Colonel C. J. Bond, C.M.G., F.R.C.S., F.L.S.

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