

conducted by one of the Assistants. On Tuesday and Friday afternoon any of their patients requiring surgical dressings are attended to.

There is both an intern and extern maternity department in which the students of the Hospital take their turn in conducting cases. Every student has two days a week in which in his turn he conducts cases in the Hospital, and also two days for extern duty. The hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Every student on entering the Hospital chooses his days, enters his name on the list and conducts two cases in the Hospital before he is allowed to take extern cases. The two having been conducted he is qualified to go forth to the slums of Dublin, where he meets with experiences ludicrous, sad and otherwise. Students when not otherwise engaged witness all cases conducted in the Hospital and are certified for attendance. The resident pupils live in the Rotunda and do day duty and voluntary night duty; the latter signifying that night men are not available for all the cases. The women students live in a residence about three minutes walk from the Hospital to which they are summoned by telephone. They do exactly the same work as the men. The night work from 9 p.m. to 9 a.m. is done by non-resident students from the various Medical Schools in Dublin; who spend that time in attending intern and extern cases. When summoned to attend an intern case the student bares his arms to above the elbow; scrubs them thoroughly in hot water and carbolic soap, washes off any excess of soap and then emerges them in a 1-500 solution of corrosive for one minute. The patients are delivered on the left side and turned to the back after the delivery of the infant and before the delivery of the placenta, which is not expressed until it has left the uterus except in cases of adherent placenta. Twenty minutes is allowed for the delivery of a non-adherent placenta. It is carefully examined and all doubts as to retained membranes removed. Such an accident having occurred any portions retained are at once removed under aseptic precautions. All being well the uterus is rubbed up till it is firm, patient cleansed, examined for lacerations, which if present are immediately repaired and a light binder applied. A dose of ergot is administered always at night and in doubtful cases. The patient then being "made well" the student writes