

human life may at least receive the same attention and consideration as the husbandry of live stock, and all that appertains thereto.

The committee also will work for the proper registration of midwives and all women practicing midwifery.

Also the registration of all graduate nurses, after a thorough examination as to their efficiency and capabilities. These qualifications will be a great protection to the public at large, as the nurses unable to pass examinations in states where registration has become an enforced law are establishing themselves in Wisconsin. The registration shall become interchangeable, so that a graduate nurse registered in Wisconsin may practice in New York and other states where the registration law obtains.

The committee also shall work earnestly for the prevention of tuberculosis, endeavoring to reduce through education the appalling figures in the number of fatalities from that disease in Wisconsin each year.

Also matters relating to preventable diseases, especially among children, reducing, if possible, the great infant mortality of the state. The vital questions of sanitation and the proper housing, more particularly in the crowded districts.

In educating the teachers in the ever essential condition of proper ventilation, compelling them to realize that the sickly children placed in out-of-doors schools accomplish more in three hours' time than the child in "shut-in" school rooms does in six hours.

That we endorse medical inspection of schools, proper ventilation of churches, theatres, railway stations and all public buildings, and the sanitary care of all toilet rooms in all public places.

And we also urge vigorously the suppression of all unnecessary noises in cities, towns, and villages.

That comprehensive public lectures be given by physicians upon school hygiene and social hygiene and all kindred subjects.

That the travelling health library of the state be reinforced by all new standard books upon health subjects, and that the committee distribute leaflet literature upon all these vital questions.

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### Chicago Board of Education and Sex Hygiene.

An enlightened step taken in the policy of the public schools in the United States is that which the Chicago Board of Education recently adopted in planning a course of evening instruction for parents on the subject of sex hygiene.

Under the direction of the Rev. Dean Walter T. Sumner, who has worked out the plan, and two other members, fifty public schools will be opened and physicians and lecturers will give not only simple talks on the subject of sex diseases and their consequences, but also there will be practical suggestions as to home instruction upon the general subject of sex.

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### Advance Notices, Alphabetical.

*Congress of Mothers and Parent Teacher Organizations, St. Louis, March 20th to 26th, 1912.*

*National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, Eighth Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., third week of May, 1912.* The general organization and the programme will be as follows: Clinical Section, Chairman, Dr. Charles L. Miner, Ashville; Pathological Section, Chairman, Dr. William H. Park, New York; Sociological Section, Chairman, Mr. Frederick L. Hoffman, Newark. The Chairman of the Advisory Council for the annual meeting is Dr. Charles O. Probst, of Columbus, Ohio.

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### Infantile Paralysis in England.

Robert Burnet, D. P. H., and Medical Officer of Cornwall, England, presents an epitome of the knowledge, from the English point of view, regarding infantile

paralysis. Dr. Burnet notes that a catarrh of the nasopharynx is frequently observed during the early stages of the disease and the mucus from this region inoculated into monkeys produces the