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Three Maternities for Chicago

Boards of Directors of the Chicago
Lying-in Hospital, plan to provide
a Maternity for Each Side of the City.

Chicago needs lying-in hospitals. New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and all European cities have one to many maternity hospitals, while Chicago has not one that is worthy the name. It is true that most of our general hospitals accept maternity cases but the beds thus furnished are absolutely inadequate to demands, & there are physicians who claim that a general hospital is not the best place for the woman becoming a mother.

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More than half of the mothers of this land bear the marks of the injuries inflicted on them during childbirth, and hundreds of thousands are thus invalidated for life. Most appropriately has the birthing room been called the woman's battlefield and the lists of killed and injured here compare with those of our greatest and most sanguinary wars: