

in the preparation of the census returns as would make detailed information concerning children and young persons easily available. Let us hope the new government will grant a like request.

A petition is being prepared for circulation asking to have the provincial law amended so as to permit the appointment of women on school boards.

During the winter the committee arranged a delightful and instructive course of lectures on "The Status of Women in Different Ages." These lectures were given in the Ladies' Parlours of Emmanuel Church, and were as follows: "Primitive Hebrew Women," Professor Brodie-Brockwell; "Primitive Women of Today," Mrs. Annie Reed, B. A.; "The Position of Women in Ancient Greece," Miss G. Hunter, B.A.; "The Position of Women in Ancient Rome," Mrs. Wilson Irwin, M.A.; "The Status of Women in Canada," Mrs. John Savage; "Women in Industrial England," Miss Ethel Hurlbutt, M.A.; "Woman Suffrage," Miss C. M. Derick, M.A. The thanks of the Council are due the gifted speakers who gave the addresses. A series of a more legal character is being arranged for the coming winter.

Work of the Reformatory Committee.

The Reformatory Committee, under the joint convenership of Lady Drummond and Mrs. Warwick Chipman, has been in continued communication with the Provincial and Federal Governments, in an effort to obtain the necessary changes in the laws to permit the commitment of delinquents over sixteen years of age to reformative institutions, and also to obtain the establishment of such institutions and industrial schools for girls and women. The new government will be approached without loss of time, with a similar end in view. There has been, furthermore, continued correspondence with authorities in other countries in order to gather the necessary information. The Board of Control was asked, during the winter, to again install police matrons in police stations, where they had formerly been placed by request of the Local Council, and to establish them at all stations to which women prisoners are taken.

Victoria Charity Day.

In the spring of this year (1911) the Council received a request from La Fédération Nationale de St. Jean Baptiste asking for co-operation with it in holding a bi-lingual "tag day" throughout the whole city on May 23rd. In response, the Council undertook the conduct of the English half of "Victoria Charity Day" for the benefit of its non-sectarian affiliated charities. The difficult task of organization was admirably handled by the Convener of the Civics and Legislation Committee, assisted by the President of the