The National Council of Women of Canada

WHAT IT IS.

This Council is a federation of Societies and Associations of Women interested in Philanthropy, Religion, Education, Literature, Art, and Social Reform banded together for the furtherance of the Golden Rule.

GENERAL POLICY.

This Council is organized in the interest of no one propaganda, and has no power over the organizations which constitute it beyond that of suggestion and sympathy; therefore no Society voting to enter this Council shall render itself liable to be interfered with in respect to its complete organic unity, independence, or methods of work, or be committed to any principle or method of any other Society, or to any act or utterance of the Council itself, beyond compliance with the terms of the Constitution.

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL.

This Council is one of twenty National Councils which, federated together, form the International Council of Women.

HOW THE COUNCIL WORKS.

Work is carried on through eighteen standing Committees, the Convener of each Committee being elected by the National Council as special need for any line of new work arises, each Local Council (federations of local Societies) and each Nationally Organized Society in Federation appointing a member to the same.

SOME OF THE COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENTS.

Work initiated by the National Council is sometimes taken over by a special organization, as, for example, the Victorian Order of Nurses, Supervised Playgrounds, Organized Charities, etc. The Local Councils also do a great deal of most useful local work in the various cities and towns, accounts of which may be read in their annual reports published in the Year Book.

It obtained the introduction of Manual Training and Instruction in Domestic Science into the Public Schools of Ontario and Nova Scotia, and the training of teachers so that they may be able to give instructions in these arts. It has also given an emphasis to the same movement in other Provinces.