

PRESIDENT'S MEMORANDUM

OF THE

Business Transacted at the Fifth Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women of Canada, held at Ottawa, May 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st, 1898.

I have much pleasure in submitting the following Memorandum to our Vice-Presidents, Provincial Vice-Presidents, Presidents of Local Councils and Nationally Federated Societies, for their own information, and in order that they may have a convenient abstract of the business transacted at our last Annual Meeting, to lay before their Executives and their Councils.

It is with feelings of great thankfulness that I remember our Fifth Annual Meeting, and I think that all of us who remember the First Annual Meeting held at Ottawa in May, 1894, marvelled as we heard of what work had been accomplished, and of the truly National and representative position now held by the National Council.

I will not, however, prolong such meditations on the present occasion, as I desire to make this document a business memorandum, leaving to our delegates the pleasant task of telling those whom they represented of their own personal impressions, and of inspiring them with that sympathy and unity of purpose which undoubtedly manifested itself in no ordinary degree at this Conference, thus demonstrating the highest and truest use of the Council.