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At the Sign of the Maple

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alliance with France, Italy and Russia, it will only be polite to learn something of the languages of our military friends. French we certainly should become acquainted with, Italian is a delight, but Russian—Ah, well, perhaps we can show our friendliness to Petrograd by making the samovar popular, and cultivating a taste for caviare sandwiches, while postponing a speaking acquaintance with the barbed-wire words. As to German—did anyone ever like the tongue of the Teutons? It is the ugliest growl in the world, and all students who are plucked in German should be given first-class honours in French.

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An Efficient President.

MRS. FRANK HARRISON, whose picture is here reproduced, is President of the Vancouver Association for the Prevention and Relief of Tuberculosis, a society which has



MRS. FRANK HARRISON,
President of the Vancouver Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, Regent of a Chapter of the I.O.D.E., and a prominent worker in the Vancouver Women's Musical Club.

established in that city a free clinic for tubercular patients. In this connection the Association also maintains a nurse to visit those stricken with the disease and instruct them in the care their condition requires. Not only has the Association accomplished much within its own territory, but it has rendered considerable financial assistance to the Sanitarium at Tranquille.

Mrs. Harrison is also regent of a Chapter of the I.O.D.E., and an energetic member of the Vancouver Women's Musical Club.

Odds and Ends of News.

LADY GREGORY, patroness of Irish Drama, arrived in New York one day last week by the s.s. California. She brought with her a new play by George Bernard Shaw, called "Flaherty, V. C." Arrangements for its production will immediately be made.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen, whom it is expected will reach Toronto Thursday of this week, will stop at the Queen's Hotel during their stay in that city.

The Montreal Women's Canadian Club were fortunate in having as speaker at the first tea of the season Miss Helen Losanitch, daughter of a former Serbian Minister at the Court of St. James. Miss Losanitch has been nursing in the Serbian army, and dur-

ing the three days' bombardment of Belgrade she was at the head of a ward of forty soldiers, and the only woman in a hospital of 1,200 patients. She has twice received decorations from the King of Serbia.

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PHOTOS BY JUNIORS.

The editor of our department "For the Juniors" will shortly announce a special Prize Competition for snapshots taken by our young readers. Tell your children about it and let them get their pictures ready. This will be the biggest competition ever undertaken by the Canadian Courier and the prize list will be attractive.

Start the children making prints from their best negatives, and hunting for new subjects. The announcement may be ready next week.

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Eva Tanguay, the whirlwind comedienne of the vaudeville stage, lately startled an audience by introducing a sentimental song of her own production. It is called "Mother," and the chorus runs:

"M—is for million things she gave me,
O—means only that she's growing old;
T—is for the tears she shed to save me,
H—is for her heart of purest gold;
E—is for her eyes with lovelight shining
R—means right, and right she'll always be,
Put them all together, they spell MOTHER,

A word that means the world to me."
Miss Tanguay's audience will appreciate hearing her in something serious—she has taught them to look for freakish songs sung in a freakish way, and the contrast will be interesting.

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He Has His Doubts.

NOW that the big suffrage fight is on in the Eastern States, the Editors are expressing their opinion. The Editor of the New York Times, one of the most influential journals of that big city, has his doubts. He says:

In an address at Vassar College, Mrs. George Haven Putnam, Professor of History at Barnard College, mentioned, which is our apology for venturing to refer to, the physical inferiority, the economic inequality, the emotional instability of women as compared to men. For a man to speak of these things is regarded as ungallant, but "chivalry" flies out of the window, presumably, when suffrage comes in at the door. Forget certain important biological peculiarities that seem to be an obstacle to successful, unremitting political feminism. How is the ballot to remove or lessen the physical inferiority of women? In equal pay for equal work, be the worker woman or man, The Times thoroughly believes. How will the ballot in woman's hand promote this? By law? The tendency of "social justice" seems to be toward minimum wage laws for women workers. Is not economic, stronger than statute, law likely to make such legislation cruel in its effect, however humane of intention? The weaker must go to the wall. But are minimum wage laws for girls and women, as enacted in Massachusetts without woman suffrage, reconcilable with the theory of the equality of the sexes? How far will the physical, in the professions, some allege, the intellectual, inferiority continue to handicap the desired economic equality?

Other matter of special interest to women readers will be found on last page of this issue.

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