

Sec. 6. All new business to be brought before the Annual Meeting of a Local Council must first be submitted to the Executive Committee as notice of motion.

#### ARTICLE VI.—FEES.

Each Society federating in a Local Council shall pay an annual fee of \$ towards the expense fund of the said Council.

#### ARTICLE VII.—PATRONS.

Sec. 1. Any person whose name is acceptable to the Executive Committee may become a Patron of the Local Council upon the payment of \$5.00 annually, or \$50.00 at one time.

Sec. 2. The names of Patrons shall be placed after those of the Executive Committee on all printed documents.

Sec. 3. Any person whose name is acceptable to the Executive Committee, and who is not connected with any affiliated Society, may become a Member of the Local Council on payment of \$1 annually, and may take part in the proceedings and discussions of the public meetings of the Council, but is not entitled to a vote. Such members shall receive free all literature published by the Council.

#### ARTICLE VIII.—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third vote of a Local Council at any annual meeting, provided that such alteration be in harmony with the constitution of the National Council, notice of the proposed change having been sent to the Executive of the National Council, two months, and to each Society belonging to the Council, at least one month, prior to such meeting.

#### (ACCOUNT OF MEETING CONTINUED.)

When Her Excellency sat down a beautiful cross of flowers was presented to her by a young lady on behalf of the King's Daughters.

Mrs. Dewdney, in moving a vote of thanks to the Countess of Aberdeen, said:

"I have been asked to propose a vote of thanks to Her Excellency for her kindness in sparing time to speak to the women of Victoria on subjects which interest us all. I, for one, go home with a clearer idea of what is meant by a National Woman's Council, and I imagine there are many more like me in the audience. I propose, therefore, that a very hearty vote of thanks be given Her Excellency, and I hope that some day she may come back to address us again, and find her remarks have taken root in good soil."

Mrs. Charles Hayward seconded the motion, which was carried amid much applause.

In responding, Her Ladyship said that it was a great pleasure to her to learn that Mrs. Dewdney had kindly consented to act as Honorary Vice-President of the National Council for the Province of British Columbia.

Mrs. Teague came forward and on behalf of a number of ladies handed the Countess a magnificent bouquet.

Bishop Perrin upon being asked to say a few words, remarked:

"I can only say that I have listened with much pleasure to the address which has been delivered under most exacting circumstances. I do not know if there is a lady in Victoria who could have held the attention of so large an audience in the way the Countess of Aberdeen has. I am used to speaking, and I know I could not have done it. Considering the extremely large audience, the behaviour of the people of Victoria impressed me very much indeed as high above that of audiences in other places outside of the Dominion of Canada, and augurs well for the success of the present undertaking in this place. I am confident that it can be carried out. The Countess of Aberdeen in her address has covered the whole ground, and leaves me nothing to say on that score. Though I am one of those who will not be allowed to vote as I am only one of those "necessary evils," (laughter,) I must express my warmest wishes for the success of this important organization of woman's work in the city of Victoria." (Applause.)

Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney came towards the front of the platform smiling, and was heartily applauded:

"I had no idea that I should have been called upon to say anything to-night, until the worthy Secretary of the Countess of Aberdeen informed me that Her Excellency had expressed a wish for me to speak. I had the pleasure of being on the platform at the Drill Hall when Her Excellency addressed the school children, and I recollect she stated that the Minister of Education, Colonel Baker, had asked her to make a few remarks and as she believed that everyone there must obey Colonel Baker, she did so at once. I recalled that expression and here I am" (Laughter).

"I am most proud to have an opportunity of listening to Her Excellency's admirable address, and of saying a few words to this immense gathering.

"I sincerely hope that the work as ably explained by Her Excellency will enter into the hearts and homes of the people of Victoria, and be extended over the whole of the Province.

"I trust, as my wife said, (I am not sure that you quite heard her) that the words