

mony that there are in Canada many pure, wholesome papers, that may be introduced into our households with perfect ease of mind. but unhappily there is another class of literature that depends for existence on the publication of immoral articles. These papers come to our homes, our children read them, and the poison is instilled into their minds before we know it exists. As mothers, we should be as careful that no poison is mixed with the mental food of our children as we are careful that no poison is mixed with the food that sustains their body. It is our own fault; we cannot blame any outside person for it.

Her Excellency: I am most anxious that this subject be fully discussed; at the same time, we have a very important subject coming up afterwards. It is for the Council to decide if we are to continue longer. We certainly cannot encroach on the business to-morrow morning. We have already more than we can do to-morrow. There are the resolutions that have been sent up by the Local Councils. We were talking about resolutions being ignored by the Executive, but it seems as if the Council itself in this case were likely to ignore them. I know it would be a disappointment to the Councils if these resolutions cannot be discussed.

Mrs. Cummings: I think the next report will certainly require an hour's consideration.

Mrs. Torrington (Toronto): Just a word in relation to a point not touched upon this morning. I would like to mention briefly, that in connection with one of our missions in Toronto, we have a library where we have pure and good literature free to boys two evenings in the week, and to girls two evenings in the week, and in going to the homes, we have helped mothers very much by lending profitable reading. A young lady goes to this library when the boys are there two evenings in the week, and on one occasion one of the boys surprised her by saying, "I should like to write an essay," and another said, "I should like to sing at our next entertainment." However, there were others who thought that it was entirely wrong to encourage the boys in their taste for music and literature. I merely want to say how helpful I thought it would be in connection with the charitable organizations which perhaps is the lowest form of help.

Her Excellency: Mr. Ross sent me the amendments to the Public Library Act for Ontario, just passed. They have enabled school corporations and municipal corporations in country districts to contribute from their funds for public