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suit the parents, it will be much better for the children if they intend to make their homes in Canada. Besides it is not fair that any other language should be taught in our public schools.

Another question which is of vital interest to women of the rural districts and causing a great deal of discussion in our rural municipalities of the western provinces is medical attention that would be suited to the needs of the people in the rural districts. It seems all are decided that something should be done, but which is the better plan, municipal hospitals or a doctor and staff of nurses, paid by two or more municipalities, to go wherever they are needed? Who should be more interested and in a better position to help solve either of these problems than the mothers of the municipalities? We are all well aware that many mothers meet an untimely end through not having proper medical attention during the trying times of motherhood. Now I would ask of this local to be one of the first in bringing this question to a successful issue.

There are many other questions of importance which need the guiding hand of the women. The dower law which we have is passed and I suppose we ought to be thankful for small mercies, but by the ballot which we have at our hand, we can speed up legislation that will be to the interest of the women of our province. I sincerely hope that we will not be found lagging and we may set up a standard that the rising generation will be proud of.

Mrs. Mac DONALD.

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IN HOSPITAL

Dr. Olive Patterson holds the position of "Senior Man" in the Woman's Department of the Toronto General Hospital, and for the first time in its history, the photograph of the staff of the resident doctors includes a woman! It may be said that present war conditions have made it easier for a woman to obtain such a post, but this is soon proved worthless when it is remembered that there were seventy applicants for twenty-nine vacancies; of these only two were women, and but one woman was chosen.

Dr. Patterson graduated from Toronto University in Household Science before she took up the study of medicine, and for several years held a fellowship in Bio-Chemistry, teaching the while. This study led her on to medicine, and finally she has arrived at the General Hospital specializing in woman's work. There are nights when three or four hours' sleep is all that is possible, as calls come at any time of the day and night, and no matter how little sleep she may have had, the routine of the day's work must go on. Patients must be visited, dressings renewed, analyses made, and everything must be in order by a certain time, for the visiting doctors have their appointed hours, and students' clinics are held at stated times also.

"It is hard work," she says, "but wonderfully satisfying, and you feel that the constant care and attention are amply repaid when you know that at last some baby's life has been saved and some sufferer is out of danger."

In the vestibule of this Department are tiny babies wrapped in many thicknesses of blankets and carried carefully by the mother, sometimes by the father, waiting for inspection and attention; for when a mother leaves the hospital with her little one, it does not mean that they are lost sight of at once; in the midst of all the work and the many changes, nurse and doctor still find time to attend to the little out-patients who once were entirely in their care, and so the busy day passes, every moment full.

In addition to her ordinary tasks, Dr. Patterson is working at the Sick Children's Hospital, with the intention of giving her whole time to this later on, for a special post has been made for her there, where she is to carry on laboratory research work under one of Toronto's best known physicians.

Any farm woman who is desirous of having an opportunity to the organized farmers to her district should communicate with the provincial secretary of her province as follows: Manitoba, Mrs. E. C. Warkentin, 1000 Main St., Winnipeg; Saskatchewan, Mrs. E. C. Warkentin, 1000 Main St., Regina; Alberta, Mrs. E. C. Warkentin, 1000 Main St., Edmonton.