

the peculiar conditions and though we do not enter the campaign as an organization, I am personally doing everything in my power, in conjunction with the Win-the-war League, to support the Government."

The Equal Franchise Union

Mrs. L. A. Hamilton, chairman of the Women's section of the Win-the-war League, is, of course an out and out supporter of the Union Government, for which she has argued on many platforms. Her position as President of the National Equal Franchise Union gave special weight to her championship in the press of the creation of an election brigade of war women. Mrs. Hamilton said:—

"We are going to hold a mass meeting of women in Toronto, with a view to influencing the nomination of candidates, because we feel very strongly that though only a part of our womanhood is enfranchised, that part should take the fullest responsibility in the election. The choice of candidates, especially in Toronto, is the real election. We do not think we should be placed in the position of merely saying "Ditto" to what a few gentlemen, however excellent they may be, decide behind closed doors. We are in a war for democracy and all the electorate should have every opportunity in choosing candidates as well as choosing between candidates. We are glad that Sir Robert Borden publicly advised his supporters that women should participate in the selection of candidates, and we want to help him, and to help the men to take his very sound advice."

