

upon the Montreal harbour, and who was also connected with the building of the Chaudiere Dam at Ottawa. His daughter graduated from the High School, and on May 19th, 1890, she married Mr. Herbert Brown Ames. Ill-health prevented her from taking a very active part in her husband's political career, but she travelled extensively, visiting all of the well-known, any many of the little-known, spots on the globe. A high tribute is paid to her ability as a nurse by her husband who thinks that he would never have recovered from a severe illness contracted in Egypt, but for her clever ministrations.

#### SOCIAL SERVICE IN VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, June 15th.

THE great awakening sense of social responsibility which is spreading over the world has reached the hospitals, and is creating a new order of things there, and the visible symbol of this new order is the social service worker. Now, when the hospital has relieved the patient's



MRS. A. H. WALLBRIDGE,

President of the Women's Auxiliary of the Vancouver General Hospital, a society which is doing excellent work along the line of social service. The members of the Auxiliary, under the direction of Mrs. Wallbridge, organized a "Hospital Saturday" this month and made a street collection amounting to \$4,000.

physical ailments it makes an effort to ameliorate his social ills by looking into his home conditions and the nature of his employment.

It is now nearly three years since a social service department was instituted in the Vancouver General Hospital by the Women's Auxiliary, an organization which for a number of years has worked for the support of the hospital. Formerly this society, which has a large membership composed of representative women of the city, gave practically all its attention to the supplying of linen for the institution, but latterly, as the value of the social service work has become more and more apparent, the Auxiliary has devoted its energy and resources to its maintenance, for the city can furnish the hospital with no fund for this work, and the money has to be raised in other ways.

A "Hospital Saturday" was organized this month when a large corps of helpers made a street collection in behalf of the Social Service Department, an effort which resulted in a contribution from the public of nearly \$4,000. This amount, while smaller than has been received on Hospital Saturdays of other years, exceeded the expectations of the promoters who based their estimate of the day's takings on the consideration of a Red Cross Tag Day which had been held a little more than a fortnight before, when \$12,000 had been given by the people, and of the numerous other demands which have recently been made upon the generosity of the public.

M. D.

#### CANADA'S POPULARITY.

London, June 6th.

ANY vestige of a hint of depreciation clinging to the word "colonial," which survived the South African War has certainly died a swift death early in the present campaign. Indeed, one finds people in England calling themselves Canadians on the slightest claim. I searched out the secretary of an important organization working among Belgian refugees in London, and almost the first thing he said to me, with all the cordiality of fellow-countrymen meeting at the antipodes, was:

"Oh, are you a Canadian? So am I."

I found that he had been in Canada several months, indeed, almost a year, on business.

On this gentleman's advice I went to the headquarters for Belgian refugees, in Aldwych, and the uniformed attendant who showed me about at once spotted me for a Canadian.

"You come from Canada, don't you?" he said. "So do I."

"Do you really?" I responded. "From what part of Canada do you come?"

"Well," he said, "I got my wife in Halifax."

"Oh, and have you been anywhere else in Canada?" I asked, pursuing the subject politely.

"No, that's as far as I got," he admitted.

But he was a Canadian, and so was the secretary, and so, one finds, at heart, is almost everyone who ever falls under the happy influences of our big, broad, welcoming land. Canada so easily becomes "home."

MONA CLEAVER.

#### ONTARIO SUFFRAGISTS.

AFTER a year of earnest efforts under most unfavourable conditions the National Union of Suffrage Societies for Ontario has held its first annual meeting. Mrs. L. A. Hamilton, the President, in reviewing the past twelve months, said that the organization had started with the best possible equipment and the worst possible conditions; it had been necessary to sacrifice suffrage propaganda for war work, the only thing that any woman with a woman's heart could do.

The elections resulted as follows, very little change being made from last year's list: Honorary President, Mrs. Tilley; President, Mrs. L. A. Hamilton; Vice-President at large, Mrs. Gordon Wright; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Fotheringham; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. R. Lang; Treasurer, Miss Jessie Melville, all of Toronto. The Provincial Presidents also fill office as Vice-Presidents of the National Organization. The conveners of committees are: Legislation, Mrs. Sears; Literature, Miss Lea; Press, Mrs. Campbell MacIver; Organization, Mrs. Hector Prenter; Finance, Mrs. Roade; Statistics, Miss Connelly. A resolution was passed that the Dominion Government be asked to pass an act granting the franchise to women on the same terms as men, so that the measure could become law by proclamation in the various Provinces.

#### WHEN THE KAISERIN VISITED ENGLAND.

YEARS ago, when the German Empress was just a young girl, she spent many happy days in the England that she now constantly asks that God will punish. Her visits were usually made to her uncle, Prince Christian, at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Park, and it was here, in 1878, that she first met her future husband, when, as Prince William, then a student at Bonn, he was returning home from an autumn visit to his royal English grandmother at Balmoral. In 1891, after her first state visit to England, the Empress and her children spent a number of weeks at Felixstowe.

Visiting, as she sometimes does, the hospitals in which lie the wounded German soldiers, the Empress is said to have impressed upon them the many reasons for hatred to England, and left them with the parting words, "Children, that is the one motto: 'Gott strafe England.'"

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