

of To-day"; "Rescue Work"; "Co-Education"; "The Development of National Literature in Canada"; "The Distribution of Literature Among Settlers"; "The Uses and Abuses of Books"; "House Sanitation"; "Hygiene in the Home"; "Boys' Clubs"; "Physical Culture for Women"; "The Importance of Fostering and Developing Patriotism in Children"; "Preventible Causes of Insanity"; "Foods"; "How our Towns are Governed"; "Our Relations to the Public Schools"; "A Plea for Compulsory Education"; "Infectious and Contagious Diseases"; "The Consumers' League Movement."

These show clearly that one very important side of Council work has not been neglected, namely, the information of its members on the live issues of the day and the consequent opening of the minds of the public to a variety of reforms which can only come about when the nation at large is fully awakened to their absolute necessity. In this slow, laborious and often little appreciated task the Local Councils are taking their share, and no one can measure the extent of their influence in this direction, nor realize fully how their strength lies in this bond, which unites together for mutual work the societies existing in any one place.

A careful study of the above mentioned activities will surely divulge the fact that the National Council is what it claims to be—a common meeting ground, where women of all shades of opinion and from any and every Society can join hands, if they will, in the search for "unity of thought, sympathy and purpose," and in the attempt to do by united and organized action what would be impossible to the individual. The more this is realized, the more will the Council be strengthened in its undertakings, and Council workers are glad and proud to record their sense of a growing appreciation of this side of their work, not only in the minds of individuals, but in the estimation of public bodies, which is a great step gained. The Local Councils, as component parts of the National Council, provide a framework, an organization, by means of which the women of this Dominion can, if they will, work steadily, unceasingly, gloriously in the cause of righteousness.

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