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At the Sign of the Maple

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counsel of her own selection, and was not allowed before the trial, to have access to the charges made against her; two fundamental rights conceded to the commonest of criminal suspects at the hands of British justice, but apparently no part of what is called justice in Germany. The United States lawyer shows what Mr. Brand Whitlock, the American Minister to Belgium, did in the attempt to get a fair hearing for Miss Cavell and if possible a stay of her execution. When Mr. Whitlock, who was the acting representative of England in Belgium since Belgium is under German control, heard of Miss Cavell's arrest, he wrote to Baron von Lancken, civil governor of Belgium, asking if it were true. He got no reply. He wrote again, saying that as the representative of Great Britain he wished to assist the prisoner in her defence. He was told that the prisoner would be defended by "an advocate who was in touch with the proper German authorities." This was an obvious evasion. Mr. Whitlock was not allowed to see Miss Cavell. At the burlesque of a fair trial the advocate originally mentioned by von Lancken did not appear; another was substituted, and he was not even permitted to see Miss Cavell before the trial.

Mr. Whitlock then wrote a note to von Lancken and said: "I am too ill to put my request before you in person, but once more I appeal to the generosity of your heart. Stand by and save this unfortunate woman. Have pity on her." He was appealing to something that did not exist. The note was read aloud to von Lancken. It had no effect. The man who was supposed to have generosity in his heart made no effort either to stay the execution or

130,000. The majority against suffrage in New York was larger, but the total number of votes cast was also much larger. In Pennsylvania it was defeated by 60,000, and in New Jersey by 50,000.

Suffragists are consoling themselves with the fact that they polled a very large vote in all the States. They profess not to be discouraged by their defeat, because the voting shows that ultimate victory is in sight. In Pennsylvania about 25 counties of the 67 gave a majority in favour of suffrage. In the rural districts of New York, the vote was not quite so favourable, but it was better than in the city sections of the State.

Probably the suffragists and the anti-suffragists will agree that a large percentage of those who voted against suffrage, did so because they thought that the time was not yet ripe. They believe that suffrage will come, but are not convinced that women are yet ready for full voting privileges. Both sides will also agree no doubt that the older communities on this continent always vote more conservatively than the newer communities. This explains why suffrage has made more progress in Western America than in Eastern. When the voting on this subject begins in Canada, the same result will follow. Suffrage is more likely to be adopted in Western Canada than in Eastern Canada.

ODDS AND ENDS OF NEWS.

SINCE leaving Toronto, the Marquis and Marchioness of Aberdeen have been visiting in the West, and have everywhere received a royal welcome. Sir Douglas and Lady Cameron gave a dinner in their honour in Winnipeg, and the Social Council entertained Lady Aberdeen at an informal drawing-room.

After visiting the San Francisco exhibition, the Aberdeens have returned to British Columbia, spending a day at Vancouver. They are now at Coldstream Ranch, near Vernon.

Miss Knox, of Havergal College, Toronto, recently entertained forty-two ex-pupils at a luncheon in Winnipeg.

Margaret Anglin, and her husband, were entertained recently at Government House, Edmonton, by Lieutenant Governor Brett and Mrs. Sifton, who is acting hostess in Mrs. Brett's absence.

Miss Grace O. Robertson has been re-elected Secretary of the Associated Charities of St. John, N.B.; Mrs. F. Steton and Mrs. G. F. Smith are Vice-Presidents; Mr. W. S. Fisher is President.

The marriage, which took place in London, England, of Lieutenant Howard Needham Walters, D.C.M., eldest son of Dr. Eugene Walters, Winnipeg, to Miss Hilda May Steele, daughter of the late Colonel Steele, of Newcastle, Staffordshire, England, and god-daughter of Field-Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood, V.C. Lieut. Walters, D.C.M., enlisted in the first Canadian contingent as a private in the Ninetieth Winnipeg Rifles.

The Vancouver Women's Musical Club held its first meeting of the season in the Hotel Vancouver on the 4th. Mrs. O. Weld is President.

The London Daughters of the Empire are establishing a Soldiers' Club in a building near the armories. Mrs. McCrimmon, Mrs. T. H. Carling, Mrs. T. G. Meredith, Mrs. Talbot Macbeth, Mrs. A. A. Campbell and other prominent women are interested.

Montreal has a "Queen Elizabeth of Belgium" Chapter of the I.O.D.E. Miss Marjorie Henry is regent.



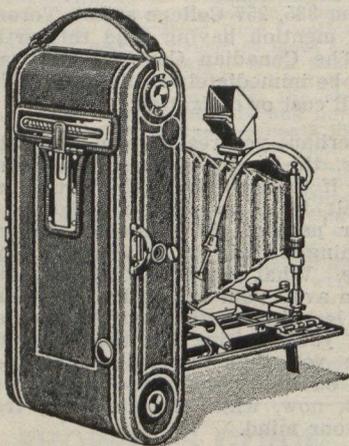
Sunshine in November—a smiling autumn bride.

to provide a fair trial for the accused. All the world knows how she was executed by court-martial in defiance of the protest made by the American Minister accredited by Great Britain.

Suffrage Defeated.

WHY Women's Suffrage should be so decisively defeated in New Jersey, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and New York, does not seem clear. Nevertheless, the fact remains that the voters were overwhelmingly opposed to the idea at present. The majority against it was largest in Massachusetts, where the adverse balance was

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