

services there. She shows a disinterested love for her countrywomen, and will, I hope, be able to rally them together for national work, in conjunction with Mme. Maria Martin, who is an official of the International Council and a very keen and zealous worker. Circumstances were against my meeting many of the ladies interested in these groups, but I saw and heard enough to assure me that there is a good deal of work for women which needs doing in France and that there are strong, energetic and earnest women there, who are struggling against somewhat heavy odds to try and get it done, each in their own way and on their own lines, to whom an efficient Council would be a real help and blessing.

Such, ladies, are a few of the facts and results which I have been able to bring before you in a very imperfect way, of the Council idea, as it is being worked out in Europe. (I have made no mention of the British one, which has only just been formed), but before closing I should like to say what an encouragement and help and pleasure it has been to one and all of the ladies whom I met to hear of the work which you are doing in Canada, to learn how it is truly representative of *all* kinds of woman's work, of *all* sections of the community; how women speaking different tongues and professing different religious beliefs are learning to work together for the common good of all; how the needs of women and children in the community are brought under the notice of parliament through your agency and are received with the utmost deference.

These thoughts and the fact too that the President of the International Council considered it worth while to send some one with her greetings and her request for information, have made the Council idea a living reality to them and have urged them forward and will help them to make a worthy representation at the great Congress in London when sisters from all the world over will meet and form a strong bond of fellowship and of love which will strengthen each other's hands for the work that lies before us all.

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