

NO JOKES FROM STAGE ON WOMAN MOVEMENT

Announcement at Annual Meeting of Political Equality League

The Political Equality League held a largely attended meeting on Saturday afternoon at Mrs. Murphy's Dominion street, to hear reports and to hold its annual elections. Among the interesting accounts of work done was the agreement of several theatre managers to not allow jokes on the woman movement to be made from the stage. Miss Arleigh Watson presided, and Mrs. Hector Prenter gave an address on "Rainy-day Suffragists," presenting the theme in a most refreshing manner. The speaker pointed out that the two great evils which had been the downfall of every nation were poverty and warfare. We should avoid following their example by having our women so train their minds and cultivate all their higher powers that human intelligence, combined with political action, may be given a trial. Militarism has been tried, and philosophy has been tried. Both have failed, and the time has come for an effort to be made on a new basis. Much interesting discussion by both men and women further ventilated the subject. Addresses were also given by Mr. Watson and Mr. J. T. Connor, the latter on "The Industrial Woman." At the close of the meeting Mrs. Murphy served refreshments.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:—President, Mrs. Hector Prenter; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. W. A. Ellis; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. George Perry Dixon; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Agnes Murphy; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Bailey; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Holmes; Organizing Secretary, Miss Inez Perry; Treasurer, Miss Sarah Harrison.

St. John's Ambulance Highly Appreciated

Unconscious testimony to the work of the St. John's Ambulance Association has been given by one of the wounded soldiers in the convalescent home on College street.

This man was telling a visitor, the other day, of the exceeding skill and kindness of the male orderlies in one of the convalescent homes in Cardiff, Wales.

"They did every sort of work, too," continued the narrator, "hard work and the work that they leave to under servants in the old country, but they were as gentle as any women nurses we ever had."

"I thought this was good enough till one day one of them said as I was better he'd take me for a motor drive, and you can bet I was mightily surprised when I found it was his own motor and that he was one of the big lawyers thereabout. Most of the other orderlies were like him, or perhaps a bit higher up, and I asked my particular one how they came to do it."

"Oh! we're the St. John's Ambulance Brigade," he said, "and this kind of thing is what we've been taking

our training for—helping the wounded when they're a bit beyond needing doctors and trained nurses."

The story is particularly interesting, as the St. John's Ambulance in Toronto has been working hard, perfecting itself in all kinds of sick nursing, surgical work, etc., and Dr. Margaret Patterson has a highly-trained squad ready for the opening of Knox Convalescent Home, and hopes that their services will be called upon.

Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A.

At the annual meeting of the Central District of Boys' Work, the supper committee reported having served 8,157 suppers to boys during the season, a great increase over last year.

The boys pay 10 or 15 cents for these suppers, except for the few free suppers and those to invited guests.

They were served to groups of from 20 to 250 boys, and at an hour to enable the boys to attend evening classes of various sorts.

The Auxiliary took charge of the Y. M. C. A. canteen at Exhibition Camp on Tuesday of each week, and will take their turn at Niagara Camp this summer. They have also given \$60 towards the support of a Y. M. C. A. secretary at the front, and \$25 to the Military Service Fund.

Girl Guides' Flower Service in Convocation Hall

Several corps of the Girl Guides, numbering about three or four hundred, yesterday afternoon attended a special flower service held in Convocation Hall. The Guides came in from all sections of the city, gathering outside the hall and marching in with their banners flying. Their blue hats and blue and white uniforms made an imposing sight. Provost Macklem, of Trinity College, delivered a short sermon, in which he told them that they should practice self-denial and always do their best to help others. He dwelt at length on the fact that whatever their circumstances were they could always maintain a high character. "It's not what you've got that counts in life," he told them, "it's what your character is."