

WOMAN'S WORK.

WOMAN FORESTER.

Miss Mable McBain is to be employed by the forest patrol service of the Government. She is an experienced mountaineer, and is to live alone in a tent on the summit of Cleveland Mountains and keep watch on the country round for forest fires.

FIRST WOMAN ON GOVERNMENT BOARD IN CANADA.

Mrs Plumptree has been appointed on the Board of Registration, the first woman to be on a Government Board in Canada.

WOMEN IN PARLIAMENT.

At a recent Danish election, four women were elected as members of the Lower House. Three of the ladies have served as members of Municipal Councils, and one is the wife of the Minister for War and President of the Danish Woman's Suffrage Society.

CANADA'S WOMAN JUDGE.

A band of highly respectable women came into Court in Edmonton, Canada, and sat down to listen to the proceedings. The Magistrate asked them to withdraw. "Things take place here which are quite unfit for women to hear," he said.

"These girls hear them," answered a matron. "Yes," said the Magistrate, "but they are fallen girls." The matron replied, "Even if they are fallen girls, we mean to stand by them."

"Ladies, you really must withdraw. It would be impossible for me to go on with the proceedings while you are here."

The ladies retired, but went to the City Authorities and declared that they were not willing for girls of any kind to be dealt with in a way that was not fit for decent women to hear, and thus they secured the appointment of the first woman Judge.

In the annual report of the Scottish Band of Hope Union we notice that they have a school lecture department, and in connection with this over 30,000 essays were sent in, and more than 2000 book prizes awarded. Temperance wall-sheets and temperance teaching are good, but authorised temperance lectures in our schools would be a decided step in advance.

WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

(Condensed from Paper by Miss Mary Sheepshanks.)

In France, Marguerite Calve has been attached to the Cabinet of the Minister of Public Instruction, and the Minister of Blockade has a woman private secretary. Mr Lloyd George also has a woman private secretary. In Algiers women may be Clerks to the Magistrate.

In Great Britain four women were appointed Insurance Commissioners, with the same salaries as their male colleagues. Under the Local Government Board there is a superintendent lady inspector and six inspectors of boarding-out, i.e., children who, under Poor Law, are placed in families. Ireland has two women inspectors of boarding-out. The Public Trustee has a woman visitor for children.

The Home Government has nineteen women factory inspectors and one woman doctor inspector of prisons. One woman is Governor of Aylesbury Prison and its three annexes.

Three women are members of Trade Boards. The Board of Education has one woman medical officer and twenty-seven school inspectors.

Two women have recently been appointed visitors of the Institutions for Defectives under the Lunacy Act of 1890, and one has been appointed a paid Commissioner under the Mental Deficiency Act of 1913.

The London County Council has a woman as Deputy-Chairman, and employs a number of women in higher appointments. The highest office under a local authority filled by a woman is that of Assistant Education Officer for London, held by Miss Philippa Fawcett.

Women have been placed on a large number of Government committees since the war. The Women's Army Services, viz., the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps, the Woman's Royal Air Force, and the Woman's Royal Naval Service, have women chiefs, women officers, and women heads of the Medical Service.

The "White Ribbon" will be posted to any address on receipt of 2s 6d, payable to Mrs Peryman, Port Chalmers.

THE WAR AND THE WORK.

A NOTE FROM LEIGH.

Day by day our men are falling,
Week by week we get the news,
Another lad's been killed in action,
Till our hearts the tale refuse.

Can we tell to father, mother,
That their soldier boy is gone;
Never now he'll cross the ocean
In the troopship homeward bound.

Oh, how sad our hearts are feeling,
As we gaze upon their woe;
Tears down stricken cheeks are stealing
For the lad that's now laid low.

Oh, New Zealand! Oh, New Zealand!
You've a heavy price to pay
For the lads of our Dominion
To the war you've sent away.

Best and bravest of our manhood
Lying in a foreign grave,
Tell us, tell us, Oh! New Zealand,
How our children we can save.

In my arms I held a baby,
Merry, laughing eyes of blue,
Consecrated to God's service,
With the mission field in view.

Now he's 'listed in the Army,
Toils within the camp to-night,
For the sake of those around us
Who have given their sons in fight.

Though our hearts are wrung with anguish,
There is none our cry to heed,
For the Government is calling,
"Men! Oh, men! this is our need."

Yet there is a God in Heaven,
Who our prayers will not deny,
When our hearts to Him are given
In one sweet, blest unity.

Men of God, on you we're calling,
Who've been kept back from the fight,
On your knees, before God falling,
Seek, oh seek Him for the Light.

You have preached a loving Father
Gives to us a Saviour's care,
Now proclaim from every altar
That the Lord of Hosts is here.

Smiting us for disobedience,
In His wrath He now draws nigh,
For His Temples desecrated,
And His Sabbath we deny.

Ring His cry through all the Churches,
Tell it in the Mission Hall,
Bring the tithes in, oh, my people,
Bring the tithes in, bring them all.

Then the Lord will rend the Heavens,
The Lord of Hosts in all His power,
And the victory will be given
To the Allies in that hour.

--Eva.