

Miss Fry said: "We know that even if you wish, you cannot dictate laws to each country, but we hope that before you separate, you will give the weight of your sanction to the principle of equal suffrage. We go further. Everywhere where the people are by the League of Nations to dispose freely of themselves by referendum, we respectfully claim for women the right to take part in this plebiscite. The first elements of patriotism and liberty will be taught by the women to the children of all nations; enable them, gentlemen, to speak as citizens sharing these benefits, and not as helots to whom they are refused."

Mme. Schiavoni (Italy) and Mrs. Fern Andrews (United States) presented the following:—

(1) That an international commission or a permanent international bureau of education should be provided for and included in the Peace Treaty.

(2) That women whose role is every day more active in the educational sphere should be called to sit on this commission or bureau on the same terms as men.

LABOUR RESOLUTIONS.

The following were presented to the International Labour Commission of the Peace Conference:—

(1) That all protective Labour legislation shall be established on a basis of absolute equality for all adult workers without any distinction of sex.

(2) That no prohibition applying to the whole of industry should be allowed, but that all restrictive measures should only deal with one specified operation.

(3) That these prohibitions should be strictly limited after consultation with commissions of women, composed of delegates of the women's trade unions concerned, women factory inspectors, specialists in physiology and hygiene, medical women, or others having some special qualification to deal with the question.

(4) That these commissions before giving their decision should try to find out whether the unsuitability of women does not really depend on unhealthy operations or conditions which should be modified in the interests equally of men as of women workers.

(5) That technical education should be accessible to all, and organised on a basis of equality between the sexes.

(6) That the protection of motherhood should be instituted on the same

grounds as the protection of childhood.

(7) That it should be recognised that the State should, without any distinction whatever, allot to each expectant or nursing mother a payment sufficient for maintenance in compensation for wages lost during the period she is forbidden to work.

ETERNAL LOVE.

Tune: "Melita."

(By "Sergeant Jack.")

Eternal love, thy grace Divine
Hath cheered our soldiers' fighting line.

Dark hours of agony are past,
And war-worn souls find "Peace" at last.

God grant us still Thy guiding hand,
In each new peril with us stand.

Eternal love, through ages long
Hath swelled each Christian's battle song;

May fellowship our hearts inspire,
All self burnt out in "living fire."
God grant us each a purer mind,
And "whiter lives" for all mankind.

Eternal love, whose power sublime
Hath touched men's hearts in every clime;

May body, soul, and spirit won,
Cleave to our God's immortal Son.
Oh, "Master Comrade," stand Thou by,
"A world redeemed," Thy guerdon high.

Eternal love, triumphant reign,
And soothe for all the battle pain;
Far o'er the seas our loved ones lie.
Oh, hear, our God, each mourner's cry;
Cheer grief-torn hearts, whate'er betide,
To blest reunions be their guide.

Eternal love, supernal rise,
As o'er the world "the tumult dies,"
Give souls of men the sense of sin,
That bids true manhood enter in.
Our fathers' God, Thy people bless,
Our Empire save, in storm and stress.

Note.—This hymn is submitted, in the hope that, during the future days of "Peace" and "reconstruction," the unselfish service of all our patriotic workers may, at the end of their war activities, find new inspiration and fresh opportunities for service throughout the Commonwealth. Copies of the hymn will be supplied gratis to churches and other organisations on application to the printer and publisher, Mr O. Mannett, Griffin Street, Hamilton, Victoria.

Whatever we would do if we had the power is what God gives us the credit for doing.

OBITUARY.

Lyttelton Union has suffered a great loss in the removal, by death, of their President, Mrs A. E. Whitby, who died at Lewisham Private Hospital on July 2nd.

Mrs Whitby joined the Lyttelton Union in the year 1886, and was elected President in 1888, a position which she held until December, 1917, when the failing health of her husband compelled her to resign.

Our sister was of a very kindly, lovable nature, and we shall miss her bright, wise counsel in our meetings, for she was ever a peace-maker, and dearly loved friend of all the members. It can truly be said of her that she lived for God, Home, and Humanity.

FARM SPECIALISTS.

In our little town, Oh! sad to tell,
There is a merchant who doesn't know how to sell,
A sawyer who doesn't know how to saw,
A teacher who doesn't know how to teach,
A preacher who doesn't know how to preach,
A painter who can't paint very well,
A printer who doesn't know how to spell,
An odd-jobs man with never a job,
A cobbler who doesn't know how to cob,
A miller who doesn't know how to mill,
A butcher who doesn't know how to kill,
A racer who doesn't know how to race,
A mason who doesn't know how to mace,
A clocksmith who cannot mend a clock,
And a doctor who doesn't know how to doc.;
And since none of these are busy men,
You will find them again and yet again,
Ever anon and a few times more,
'Round the stove in Mendolsen's store,
Each talking freely and through his hat,
Doing the one thing they are expert at:
Giving advice to farmers.

"White light includes all the prismatic colours, so the white ribbon stands for all phases of reform, and there is no phase which the drink curse has not rendered necessary."

The grain now used in the United States in the manufacture of alcoholic liquors would enable us to send a pound loaf of bread a day to each of 11,000,000 men at the Front.