

National Council of British Women, as embodied in the following Resolutions of the International Council of Women:—

1. "That Mrs. Bedford Fenwick and Mrs. Fenwick Miller be appointed a Committee to wait upon Mrs. Eva McLaren, Corresponding Secretary of the International Council of Women, to request her to take action in regard to the formation of a National Council of British Women."

2. "That in case Mrs. Eva McLaren should for any reason decline to accept the responsibility of taking action toward the formation of a National Council in England, then Mrs. Bedford Fenwick and Mrs. Fenwick Miller are appointed the nucleus of a Committee for the purpose of determining action in England upon this question."

Many consultations and much earnest thought have happily resulted in our National Union of Women Workers becoming the National Council of Great Britain and Ireland, which has given a solidarity to our National Council which no new organization could have possibly attained.

It was at Chicago that I met the leaders and workers of this great International movement. To that Congress came, of the older generation, sweet little Lucy

Stone, since at rest. *The Mrs. Cady Stanton*; gentle, steel-nerved Clara Barton; and, greater than these, Susan B. Anthony, the revered and beloved leader of American women for the past half-century. "Aunt Susan," as she is familiarly called by thousands of loving daughters from the shores of the Atlantic to the Pacific slope, and again from the white North to the red South. The welcome news that this same Susan Anthony, now in her 79th year, has just been unanimously appointed at Washington one of the two delegates from the National Council of the United States,

to attend the Quinquennial Meeting and Congress in London in June, leaves little doubt of the tone of welcome she will call forth from the vibrative hearts of the women of all nations—eager to look upon, to speak with, and to do her honour.

"The Life and Work of Susan B. Anthony" has lately appeared from the sympathetic pen of Mrs. Hasted Harper (who is also to be with us for the Congress), this "Life" is the history of a heroic struggle for woman's elevation, and truest good. But it is a history which makes one's heart quiver and

ache all the same. The magnificent courage of the woman, the power of endurance, the ceaseless labour, the personal abnegation, and oftentimes the bitter, bitter disappointment — (an internal hæmorrhage of tears, yet not unto death) — and again face to front, dauntless for Right, to insult, intimidation, persecution! What of martyrdom has this woman not suffered in her labours of fifty years, for the salvation of a degenerate sex? We for whom she has suffered will never know. Praised be God, that she has come through the darkness of the night and stands all thankful in the gleaming shimmer of the dawn, and that she can turn her faithful eyes and watch the sure coming of the purple



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day. Another great leader of women to whose constructive genius the International idea owes its concrete form in International and National Councils is Mrs. May Wright Sewall, and withal the most sympathetic woman I have ever met. Mrs. May Wright Sewall is Vice President at large of the International Council, and I have little doubt that as she has honoured the Council by accepting the nomination of the Executive Committee for the Presidency, the election to which high office will take place in June, that she will be unanimously elected President for the

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