

# VOTES FOR WOMEN

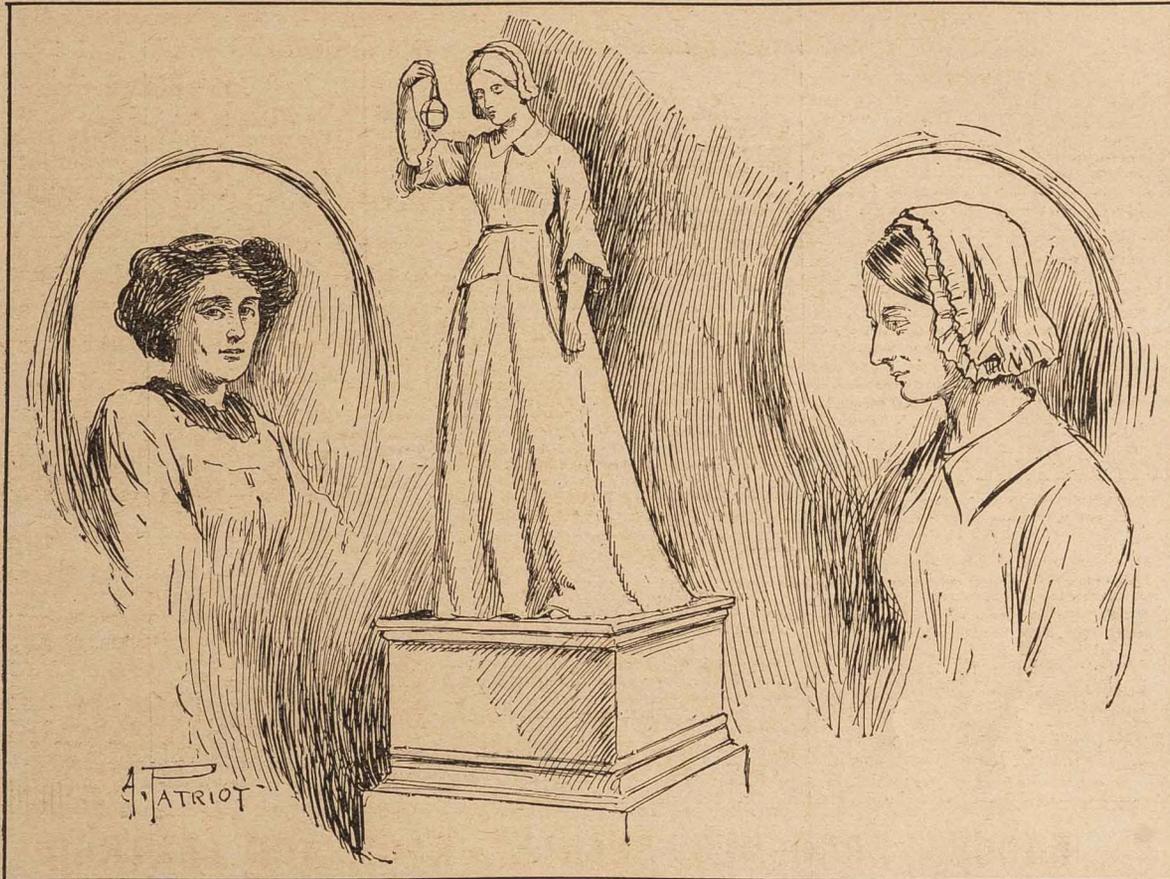
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## THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE MEMORIAL.



A beautiful statue of Florence Nightingale by Mrs. Scott. The lamp is to be kept always burning. Inset on the left is a portrait of the sculptor, and on the right a portrait of Florence Nightingale.

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course, never be accurately known, but from the reports that reach us from different places, it is evident that the number was far larger than anything anticipated by the authorities. In the front line were the householders, men and women, who refused to fill in their Census forms. Many of these sheltered dozens, and some a hundred, and even two or three hundred women for the night. Then in the second place, in London and in nearly all the large towns, special all-night meetings and entertainments were undertaken, the attendance at which ran into hundreds or even thousands. Finally many individual women adopted novel and successful means of escaping enumeration.

#### An Astonishing Claim.

We have read with considerable amusement the claim made on behalf of the authorities that they outwitted the Suffragettes, and counted them without their knowledge. Even if any such an attempt were made—which we have good reason to doubt—it can only have resulted in a very confused and entirely rough approximation as to numbers, while as to the minute details of classification, which to-day is the main purpose of the Census, it must have wholly failed. For even a Government official, primed with exceptional vision and a note book and pencil, may be pardoned if he failed to decide at a glance how many of the thousands of women who streamed past him into the Aldwych Skating Rink and other centres of attraction, were

married, how many had children of their own, and what was the nature of their daily occupation!

#### Impotence of the Authorities.

The next move lay with the authorities. They could either do nothing at all and thereby allow themselves to be completely beaten by the Suffragettes, or they could prosecute all those who had taken part in the protest, fining some and sending others to prison. By adopting the second alternative they would, without rectifying the omissions in the Census, turn every police court in the country into a pulpit from which a sermon would be preached on the subject of Votes for Women. From the answer given by Mr. John Burns on Wednesday afternoon to Mr. Clynes in the House of Commons we learn that the Government have already decided that the former is the lesser of the two evils and have accepted complete defeat.

#### Bravo Lord Mayor of Dublin!

We congratulate the Lord Mayor of Dublin and the Dublin Corporation upon their spirited resolution carried last Monday by the substantial majority of 22 votes to 9, in consequence of which the Lord Mayor will shortly appear before the Bar of the House of Commons to petition Parliament in favour of the Conciliation Bill. There are only two persons in the United Kingdom, the Lord Mayors of London and Dublin, who possess this exceptional privilege, and it is now 23 years since it has been used

To the brave women who to-day are fighting for freedom: to the noble women who all down the ages kept the flag flying and looked forward to this day without seeing it: to all women all over the world, of whatever race, or creed, or calling, whether they be with us or against us in this fight, we dedicate this paper.

### THE OUTLOOK.

The Census protest has been a great and unqualified success. It has demonstrated to the nation two things: Firstly, how large is the number of women who are prepared to undertake revolutionary methods in order to enforce their demand for the vote; and secondly, the impotence of the authorities in the face of the determined resistance of this section of the people to government without their consent.

#### Different Forms of Evasion.

How many women throughout the country succeeded in evading the classification of the Census will, of

by any one of them. We regard it as a great honour that this ancient privilege is being revived on behalf of the women of our land, and we congratulate our sisters across the Channel on this fresh sign of the chivalry of their race.

Cheltenham By-Election.

A vigorous campaign is being undertaken by the Women's Social and Political Union at Cheltenham, where a by-election is now being fought. Electors are called upon to give their votes against the nominee of the Liberal Government as a protest against the opposition of the Government to Votes for Women. At the same time Major Mathias, the Liberal candidate, has been informed that if he can obtain a pledge from Mr. Asquith that full facilities shall be given to the Woman Suffrage Bill during the present session of Parliament the W.S.P.U. will immediately withdraw from the contest.

Mr. Franklin.

To-morrow morning, at an early hour, our honoured co-worker, Mr. Hugh Franklin, will be released from Pentonville Prison, after undergoing for a whole month the cruel and dangerous operation of forcible feeding. He will be taken immediately to the house of friends, who will look after him until his recovery. It will be remembered that Mr. Franklin has suffered this terrible ordeal solely on account of the protest which he made against the adoption of similar methods in the case of another member of the Men's Political Union, Mr. Alfred Abbey. We desire to express to him, on behalf of ourselves and of every member of both unions, our deep appreciation of his splendid courage, and to tell him how his example has inspired us all with a new sense of the dignity and grandeur of human life.

Mrs. Lloyd George on Votes for Women.

We are glad to see that Mrs. Lloyd George, in opening a bazaar, made special reference to Woman Suffrage, speaking of the good that it had done in other countries, and of the progress which women were making in all parts of the world. Women, she said, had made good use of the municipal vote, and she felt sure that they would use the Parliamentary vote as well. We hope that this is an indication that the Chancellor is convinced by the result of the investigation in his own constituency that the Conciliation Bill, giving votes to women householders, is democratic as well as moderate in its operation, and has determined to give his wholehearted support, both in the House of Commons and in the Cabinet, to the Bill.

How Masculinism Injures the Community.

Madame Curie, the distinguished scientist, is making a spirited fight against masculinism in France. She is claiming the admission of her daughter into a local Lycée (a secondary school hitherto reserved for boys). Madame Curie is determined not to take a refusal and is pressing the matter forward with energy. We can hardly believe that the enlightened people of France will allow masculinist prejudices to stand in the way of securing the fullest possible educational advantages for the daughter of Madame Curie. To do so would involve the risk of depriving the world of a possible successor to her brilliant mother.

The Florence Nightingale Memorial.

We reproduce, as our cartoon, on the front page of this week's VOTES FOR WOMEN, the beautiful design which Mrs. Scott has made for a statue of Florence Nightingale. Speaking at a meeting on Friday last, at the Mansion House, Lord Haldane referred to Florence Nightingale as a woman "who penetrated with her genius the obscurity of those dark days long ago, gave the impulse, and set on foot the movement which to-day culminates in a wholly new state of things." He added that:—

It would be a great mistake to say that she went to her work inspired simply by the impulse of genius. She was called to her great work by an illustrious relative of his noble friend, Lord Pembroke, who was sitting by the Lord Mayor, and she was called not unprepared. For years she had worked to equip herself for the task which might one day be placed upon her. She had studied in the hospitals of Germany and France. She had mastered all that there was in those days to be mastered, and she went prepared for her work as few people had ever prepared themselves by hard work for any work. It was a lesson to us that even genius could not make up for the want of knowledge of detail. If genius were an infinite capacity for taking pains, then Miss Nightingale was indeed an illustration of genius.

We wonder how long the nation will continue to deprive itself of part of its greatest asset by refusing to women the opportunities of self-development which Florence Nightingale, owing to her exceptional circumstances, was able to obtain.

Women Employees of the War Office.

We have received from a number of persons requests for a verification of the facts given in our leading article of March 24, with regard to Lord Haldane and the Army Clothing Department. We refer them to the Official Reports of Parliamentary Debates. On page 1165 of the Report for June 13, 1911, will be found the table which we reproduce on page 447 of this issue, giving the comparative rates of pay of men and women referred to by Mrs. Pethick Lawrence in the third paragraph of her article. On page 2017 of the official Report for March 13, 1911, will be found Mr. Haldane's answer to a question by Mr. Duncan, which was as follows:—

It is proposed, from the 13th inst., to reduce the price paid to the machinists employed on Service dress trousers from 2d. per pair to 2 1/2d. per pair. The original price paid for the work was 2 1/2d. per pair. The rate was increased to 2d. per pair in January, 1910, on the readjustment of machine and hand-work to be employed in the process. The reduction is to be made on the grounds that the character of the work does not warrant the payment of the wages produced by the piece-work rate of 3d. per garment. The reduction is based upon competent expert advice.

The full Official Reports are obtainable from Messrs. Wyman and Sons, Fetter Lane, E.C.3, price 3d. each.

"Jockeying Women Out of the Vote."

Speaking on the Referendum Bill in the House of Lords, Lord Newton is reported to have made the following reference to Woman Suffrage:—

There was only one question on which he conceived agreement as to the exercise of the Referendum between the various political parties, and that was the question of female suffrage, for the purpose of jockeying women out of the vote. For our own part, although we are confident that both the men and women of the country are favourable to the extension of the vote to duly qualified women, we should resist most strongly any attempt to delay the settlement of this question by submitting it directly to the electorate, which at present consists solely of men.

The Woman's Deputation of November last.

The full report concerning the treatment of the Woman's Deputation in November last by the police, on which the demand for an enquiry by the Conciliation Committee was founded, is now available. It has been published by the Woman's Press in a volume in which are also contained the Memorandum of the Conciliation Committee and the letters of Lord Robert Cecil and Mr. Ellis Griffith, M.P. We recommend it to the perusal of our readers. It can be obtained from the Woman's Press, price 6d. net.

Dr. Ethel Smyth's Concert.

Heartily congratulations to Dr. Ethel Smyth on the successful concert which she gave on Saturday last at the Queen's Hall! Every one of the items was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience, who had the special pleasure of listening to the programme conducted with great spirit by the composer herself. To the Suffragettes present the final group called "The Songs of Sunrise" was particularly interesting, for in them the composer had set herself, with great success, to portray in music something of the spirit of the woman's movement. We are glad to learn there is a prospect of another concert by Dr. Ethel Smyth later in the year.

The Law-Abiding Sex.

It is sometimes argued that women ought not to have the vote because they are lawbreakers. To these anti-Suffragists we commend the following facts taken from the new Blue Book relating to Criminal Statistics for the year 1909. Of the persons convicted at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, 10,427 were men and only 900 were women (nearly 12 to 1). Of indictable offences tried summarily 27,079 were men, and only 4,742 were women (6 to 1). Of other offences there were men 185,480 and women 48,111 (4 to 1); these include cruelty to animals, of which 3,057 men were convicted, and only 15 women (200 to 1). Finally, of the police returns we find the grand total to be 537,220 men, and 104,323 women (more than 5 to 1). If only the law-abiding sex is to have the vote, then men would have to give place to women!

Items of Interest.

Captain Gonne has presented to Mr. Curtis Bennett, for the use of necessitous women at the Bow Street Police Court, the £100 which he received from the Standard and the Press Association for wrongly stating that he had been arrested on November 22 for assaulting a policeman. Congratulations to the Streatham W.S.P.U., who made a splendid commencement at shop-keeping on March 24, when the new premises were opened by Miss Evelyn Sharp. The Forfar Town Council and the Warrington Town Council have both passed unanimous resolutions in favour of the Conciliation Bill.

THE DEPUTATION.

A spirit of hopefulness with regard to the prospects of the Conciliation Bill prevails throughout the Union. Nevertheless, members are realising the importance of preparing for a possible protest. Mrs. Nora Mills, of Liverpool, writes:—"Like Mrs. Hall of Waterloo, I feel that I must make it possible to be one of the members of the next deputation. I so frequently have it brought home to me that women must depend on themselves solely, when anything beneficial to them is concerned." A member living in a small village in Kent writes that she is trying to influence the women in the district to take Votes for Women; that she has filled in her Census paper as only a suffragette can; and continues, "Kindly put my name down as a member of the next deputation."

TREASURER'S NOTE.

Contributions, which are the harvest of Self-Denial Week, are pouring into the treasury. The allotted column in this paper, which is all the space that can be spared for the publication of donations and subscriptions, does not include anything received after March 24. It is the record of two days only, and represents a total of over £1,100. Two or three weeks will elapse before the list will be brought up to date, but in the meantime an official receipt is being sent to every donor. It is well that a great and generous response is being given to the demands of this strenuous campaign. A great task is to be ours during the next few weeks. Every important section of the community has to be moved to express its support of the Bill now before Parliament, which is down for second reading on May 5. In every great town and in all parts of the country the Census protest, which has brought the reminder of the Votes for Women campaign into every home, has to be followed up with educational propaganda carried on by means of indoor and outdoor meetings, distributions of leaflets, and organised schemes for extending the circulation of this paper. Our organisers and workers have to be here, there and everywhere. The by-election at Cheltenham presents an opportunity that must be seized to put our political views and our position with regard to the Government before the electors. This extensive propaganda entails heavy expenditure, and all the members of the Union have cause for rejoicing in the fact that the war chest is not exhausted.

E. P. L.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE £100,000 FUND.

March 23 to March 24.

Table listing names and amounts contributed to the £100,000 fund, including categories like 'Already known', 'For Self-Denial', and 'In envelopes'.

Cheques should be made out to Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and crossed, "Barclay and Co."

THE HOLY WAR.

By the Rev. John Hunter, D.D.

A SPEECH DELIVERED RECENTLY IN THE ST. ANDREWS HALLS, GLASGOW.

I remember reading long ago a remark of Lord John Russell: "It takes our country forty years to accomplish a reform admitted to be necessary." It is still true. It is well over thirty years since I first moved to a resolution in the city of York in favour of woman's suffrage. I hope that it will very soon be unnecessary to have meetings like the present; woman's right to vote is finding day by day fewer and fewer sensible and serious men and women to deny it. I have faith to believe that whatever appeals to reason and to right and is essential to human well-being is bound to become reality sooner or later. The victorious years are marching on. They will not hurry and they will not stop. The nineteenth century has been described as the century of the working man; the twentieth century is going to be the woman's century. Within its richer years, a wider justice, a larger freedom, a greater kindness are to prevail; no distinction of sex will affect the exercise of human rights, and woman to woman the world o'er shall citizens be, and a' that.

Most critics of the woman's movement do not, I am afraid, understand its inwardness and the deep sources of its strength. It is a mistake to treat it as if it were isolated and alone. It is on the contrary a part of a far larger movement—the natural and inevitable outcome of the unresting spirit of life and progress which, working in many directions, has urged women in past years to demand and to receive better and more thorough education, to adopt and follow careers for which they believe they have aptitude and gift, and to take part in public work of various kinds, especially in work on behalf of their less fortunate sisters who are at a disadvantage in the struggle for existence and in the attainment of the simplest conditions of an honourable life.

The Primal Right of Citizenship.

It is not creditable to the male citizens of this nation that the question of suffrage should have been debated so long as if it were a mere question of right, and of right in some small and narrow sense. I cannot say that my sympathies are deeply moved by seeing any one, man or woman, stand up to claim their rights. But there is one right which deeply moves me. It is the right of opportunity to live one's full life and to use all one's powers to do one's duty, to fulfil one's proper function in society, to make one's influence felt for good in the many causes which are at issue in our public life. And this is the right which women claim—the primal right of citizenship which on the grounds of humanity and a just democracy belongs as much to women as to men. In that nature of things which, to many of us, means the will of God, a woman's right to vote is as good as a man's, and is involved in the very idea of equal opportunity, for freedom, like religion, knows neither male nor female.

But I confess I am just a little tired of the old phrase "Woman's right to Vote," I would fain substitute for it a higher and nobler watchword, namely, "The nation's need of the Woman's vote"—the nation's need for the co-operation of those who can best help in legislation which concerns itself more and more every year with health and home, with temperance and refinement, with mother and child, with unprotected girls, with the degradation of cheap labour and shop tyranny, with the dangers of our streets, with public vice, with the unnatural crimes which are making the city of Glasgow a bye-word, and many such-like things. It is because I, as a man, am deeply and passionately interested in many schemes of social reform that I have been for many years an earnest advocate of Woman's Suffrage. It is women, and women alone, I believe, who can supply the insight, the detailed knowledge, the mastery of facts, and the driving power of enthusiasm which are necessary to carry out several of these great reforms.

This woman's movement therefore is not a mere woman's matter only. It is a great national question, a question affecting the whole of society and the race. It is not for themselves these women are fighting and enduring hardship—it is not for the single and isolated right to vote—it is for power to remedy the ills and wrongs of their fellows they are fighting—and is that not a right womanly thing? Aye! Is not that soldiers' work? Behind every ballot we are told that there is a bullet; that the right to vote implies military duty. Olive Schreiner in her recently published book, "Woman and Labour," has answered that principal

objection to Woman's Suffrage most effectively in one way. She retorts to those who argue that women must be subordinate because they cannot fight the battles of their country, that they do fight the battles—they provide the men, and none know so surely the cost of bearing and rearing the lives that are mowed down on battlefields, or suffer more from the red ruin of war. But they do even more than this, as a large and bright array of Florence Nightingales testify, by their unspcakable devotion to the sick, the wounded and the dying; surely as indispensable to war, if war there needs must be, as any facing the enemy's fire? I said, if war there needs must be—but it is our hope and faith, part of that dream which would not let the Son of Mary sleep, that war will be eliminated from the better social state—from the new earth to which we are slowly moving on. And perhaps in this connection, Jael the Kenite's wife, Joan of Arc, the Maid of Saragossa, and some other fighting women ought not to be forgotten. And if the Amazons who were once formidable in battle have become extinct it is not because women have grown cowardly or effeminate, or frail and feeble, but because the line of development has shown them a higher and better way of fighting, and holier battlefields—shown them that "peace hath her victories no less renowned than war." It is time we heard the very last of this argument concerning physical force. I defend a man's right to vote though he have but one arm, rendering him incompetent to carry a gun, though he be rheumatic and gouty and unable to march in the line, though he be short-sighted, or without eyes, and cannot see either foes or friends.

The argument that many women do not desire the vote is to me a pitiable argument in favour of it. It shows how rudimentary and feeble is public spirit in the community when favoured women do not care for an opportunity to be counted on the side of justice against wrong, of virtue against vice, of intelligence against ignorance. So, if the nation needs the woman's vote, the woman herself needs the uplifting, the widening, the consecrating of her life—such as comes only with the responsibilities of citizenship. Responsibility is an education. The Ballot has proved an uplifting element in the life of man—so will it be, I believe, in the life of woman.

The extension of the suffrage to women will help, I believe, to bring men and women together in the higher interests and activities of life. It is a sorrowful commentary upon our present social methods when we reflect that the Ladies' Nights in gentlemen's clubs, and the Gentlemen's Nights in ladies' clubs are the nights devoted to superficiality, frivolity, and indolence of mind—nights given to dancing, card-playing, promiscuous programmes and the vain show of dress, or want of dress. We want to come together in higher ways—and I claim that the life of citizenship should be the sphere for the activity of a full undivided humanity. Until we unite the mind and will of women with the mind and will of men in their bearing on the evils of life and their remedies, on the problems of life and their solution, we have not got the truly human mind and will. It is an inadequate statement to say that we disfranchise the half of humanity by withholding the vote from women. The truth is that neither half of humanity is itself until it is combined with the other half—man is not truly man, and woman is not truly woman until their spiritual forces are combined on high levels of action and influence.

The Unjust Steward.

I am not bold enough to tackle the painfully perplexing subject of tactics in this Holy War, for such I regard it to be. There are times, no doubt, in the history of political and social movements, when it is necessary there should be what may be called flamboyant impertinence. You remember the parable of the unjust judge who was troubled by the poor widow who asked in vain for justice. "And he would not for a while; but afterwards he said to himself, though I fear not God nor regard man yet because this widow troubleth me I will do her justice, lest by her continual coming she weary me." May the persistent impertinence of hundreds and thousands of our women—spinsters, wives and widows—have the same blessed effect, and that speedily, upon our modern rulers and judges.

It is sometimes said that the martyr spirit has died out of the Church. I do not think it has, not at least to the extent it is believed to be, but if it has, then I thank God it is alive and fervent in the women who are leading and supporting this great movement. They are, indeed, a noble army of martyrs. I recall how the noble and brave woman (Mrs. Pankhurst) who is to address us to-night, went on with her work all through the time of dark and desolating domestic bereavements, showing the very self-forgetfulness of Barbarossa on his way to conquer Jerusalem, when told that his son was no more, exclaimed, "My son is dead, but the Christ still lives; forward, soldiers!"

W.S.P.U. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

English people all over the world are thinking of, and looking forward to, the month of June, when the King and Queen will be crowned. Many of England's grandsons and daughters from over the seas will, perhaps for the first time, visit our shores. London will be full of visitors, many of them from colonies where women are enfranchised. This will afford a fitting opportunity to impress on the visitors the great demand of British women for political freedom, and to this end a monster Procession and Demonstration is being organised by the W.S.P.U., in which all Suffrage societies have been heartily invited to join. This will take place on Saturday, June 17 (the Saturday before the Coronation), the route being from the Embankment to the Albert Hall, June 17 will be a great day; the demonstration promises to be a great parade of rejoicing, more imposing and beautiful than any yet held, and invitations are being sent out broadcast. Among the speakers at the Albert Hall will be statesmen from the Colonies where women have the vote. It is imperative that members desiring tickets for themselves and friends should write at once to Miss Cooke, Ticket Secretary, W.S.P.U., 4, Clements Inn, W.C.1. Prices: Amphitheatre Stalls, 2s. 6d.; Arena and Lower Orchestra, 1s.; Upper Orchestra and Balcony, 6d.; Boxes, £1 10s., £1 1s., and 12s. 6d., all numbered and reserved.

London Free Meetings.

The last London weekly free meeting before the Easter Holidays will be held at the Queen's Hall, Langham Place, W., on Monday next, April 10, at 3 p.m. Besides Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and Miss Christabel Pankhurst, L.L.B., Mr. Laurence Housman will also speak. These meetings will be resumed on Monday afternoon, April 24, at the Queen's Hall. On the four following Mondays, May 8, 15, and 22, they will be held in the London Pavilion, Piccadilly Circus. There will be no meeting at Steinway Hall next Thursday, April 13, or the following Thursday, April 20, but these meetings will recommence on Thursday, April 27, at 8 p.m.

Festival of Empire.

Nothing is complete nowadays without the suffragist! Arrangements have been made to erect a special kiosk (between the main bandstand and the Australian building) at the Festival of Empire, where W.S.P.U. literature and colours will be sold.

Important Meetings.

In addition to those meetings announced above and on pp. 448, et seq., the following have been arranged:—Mrs. Pankhurst at Belfast to-day (Friday), April 7; at Dublin, to-morrow (Saturday), April 8; at York, Friday, April 28; at Doncaster, Saturday, April 29, and at the Empire, Barnsley, on Sunday, April 30. Miss Vida Goldstein at Newcastle Town Hall to-day (Friday), April 7, at 7.30 p.m., and at the Spa, Felixstowe, on Saturday afternoon, April 29.

W.S.P.U. General Offices, 4, Clements Inn, W.C.

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THE BURDEN OF HOUSEWORK

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Though we believed theoretically in Woman Suffrage some years ago, we clung to the tenet that woman's sphere is the home, so far as the drudgery of housework is concerned. We believed, of course, that a woman might work outside, either from necessity or because she had a great talent to develop, but we never dared to suggest that she should therefore be free of home cares.

Fifteen years ago a friend introduced me to the poems of Mrs. Perkins Stetson, an American writer. They were an inspiration and a help in days when the "new woman" and the "revolting daughter" were talked about and misunderstood, but in addition to her brave stand for women's free development, her witty and caustic overthrow of conventional standards, there was a greater heresy—a revolt against housework!

She describes the tragedy of the woman who lived entirely in "woman's sphere" and neglected her own soul. Six hours a day a woman spends on food!

Have we not known these tragedies ourselves? Women spending themselves and their powers on housework that could be better done by others, standing with heated faces over the range because the one "general" cannot cook, then hurrying to share the meal for which all appetite has gone, and when at last the evening comes, sitting sewing for the family. What chance is there of an interest in wider affairs, of self-culture, of self-development? The man goes on learning, the woman stops and becomes the "comfort-machine."

One case from Mrs. Perkins Gilman's new book, "What Diantha Did," shows the situation at a glance. One of the characters, a talented woman architect, had married, and we find her beset by household problems, and absolutely unable to carry on the work of architecture for which she was fitted.

What is the remedy? Are women to give up their pride in their homes? Not so. But housework must be simplified, and it must be given to the people who are best fitted for it. The "born housekeeper" will keep the house—in some cases she will be the wife, in others she will give her services professionally.

"The Englishwoman" (Sidgwick and Jackson, 1s. net), for April is, as usual, full of interesting articles dealing with many aspects of woman's work and interests.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

- "Russian Flashlights." By Jakoff Prolooker. London Chapman and Hall. 10s. 6d. net.
"The Patrician." By John Galsworthy. London: William Heinemann. 6s.
"The Militant Suffrage Movement." By Teresa Billington-Greig. London: Frank Palmer. 2s. 6d. net.
"Le Gentleman." By Ethel Sidgwick. London: Sidgwick and Jackson. 6s.
"A Holiday in Gael." By Frederic Martyn. London: Methuen. 3s. 6d.
"The International Journal of Apocrypha." April. London: International Society of the Apocrypha. 6d. net.

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It was a rousing welcome that Dr. Smyth received when she appeared on the platform, and the applause was increased rather than lessened when she announced that, owing to the unexpected defection of Mr. Thomas Beecham, she herself would conduct the entire programme, which she accordingly did, and in right masterly fashion.

We have heard the Overture to "The Wreckers" on several previous occasions, and in our opinion it has only once been as brilliantly conducted, and that was by Herr Bruno Walter, of Vienna, at one of the Philharmonic Concerts about two years ago. There were over a dozen numbers on the programme; practically each one of them revealing a different side of Dr. Smyth's varied and versatile genius.

Of especial interest to Suffragists was the group called "Songs of Sunrise," a group in which the composer has expressed something of the striving and triumph of the Woman's Movement.

It was rapturously enjoyed, and the concert was brought to an end by the "March of the Women," in which the audience joined with fervour.

SOME PRESS OPINIONS.

The Queen's Hall on Saturday night was dominated by one vivid personality—that of Ethel Smyth. From first to last she controlled the situation with her iron grip, and both as conductor and composer made a forcible impression on her hearers.

At the end of the programme three new choruses, devoted to the Suffragist movement, were performed with great spirit. It was delightful to hear, amid the general uproar, the basses singing on a monotone except the last word, when they and the double-basses all dropped to a low note, "I know, Mrs. Humphry Ward!"

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VOTES FOR WOMEN 4, CLEMENTS INN, STRAND. FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 1911.

THE DUBLIN RESOLUTION. "That a petition be adopted, sealed with the City seal, and presented to Parliament, to pass into law this present session the Women's Suffrage Bill now before Parliament; that the Town Clerk and law agent do forthwith prepare the petition; that the Lord Mayor and as many members as may accompany him, together with the civic officers, do present the said petition at the Bar of the House of Commons, and that the reasonable expenses of the Lord Mayor and said civic officers be defrayed out of the borough fund." The adoption by the corporations of many of the most important towns and cities of the country of petitions calling for the enactment of the Conciliation Bill in the present year is one of the most significant possible signs of the popularity of Woman Suffrage. One after another these great elected bodies, representative both of women and of men, are demanding the immediate concession of the Parliamentary Franchise to women householders. There could be no evidence more valuable than this that the country is in favour of Woman Suffrage. The Corporation of Dublin, which was among the first to declare in favour of the Conciliation Bill, has now resolved that in pursuance of a special right, the Lord Mayor of Dublin, accompanied by other council-

lors and the civic officers, shall present the petition for the enactment of the Bill this year at the Bar of the House of Commons.

This public-spirited decision of the Dublin Corporation to press to the fullest extent of their power for the instant enfranchisement of women cannot fail to make a deep impression. The news from Dublin comes as a clarion call to all supporters of the Bill to be up and doing. Every Member of Parliament will be approached by those individuals and associations in his constituency who desire the enactment of the Bill. It will be made clear to Members of Parliament that no mere second reading will be deemed satisfactory; but that the complete passage of the Bill through all its stages is firmly and resolutely demanded. Friends and members of the Women's Social and Political Union will be foremost in this campaign in the interests of the Bill. No smallest action will be left undone which may contribute to the winning of victory in the present year.

It is perfectly obvious that it is more convenient for the Government to give facilities for the Conciliation Bill this year than it is likely to be in any subsequent Session of this Parliament. There is only one big Government measure, the Veto Bill, before the House of Commons, and already, so the papers tell us, the House is weary of discussing it: whereas in future Sessions there will certainly be a great congestion of business, due to the fact that the Government have given promises of legislation in all directions. Under these circumstances, we are entitled to demand, and we do demand, that the Prime Minister's pledge to give facilities for a Woman Suffrage Bill in the course of the existing Parliament shall be fulfilled this year.

Everything contributes to make this Session an especially appropriate one for carrying the Bill. It is to be a time of Imperial rejoicing, but this rejoicing would be sadly marred by a continuance of women's disfranchisement, by their ever-increasing discontent at being thus politically outlawed, and by their indignation at the destruction of the Conciliation Bill. Members of Parliament and thousands of others are coming from the great dominions of Australia and New Zealand, where women already enjoy the political rights still withheld from the women of the Mother Country. They will be astonished and contemptuous to find the Government still resisting the women's demand for the vote. The refusal to grant Woman Suffrage they will attribute partly to sheer cowardice—to fear of women, and partly to the unreasoning dislike of change and growth, which they are inclined to think characteristic of the Old Country. The destruction of the Conciliation Bill will most certainly lower, not only the Government, but the men of this country in the eyes of our Colonial visitors.

If the visitors who are coming from all parts of the Empire and from all the countries of the world should arrive to find a conflict raging between women and the Government that will be entirely the fault of the Government. But such a scandal is surely impossible, for it could not arise unless the Government were again to veto the Conciliation Bill.

In a recent Parliamentary debate the Prime Minister upheld the contention put forward by Mr. Balfour that the House of Commons is still, despite all that critics may say, a free and independent assembly, and is not in dangerous subservience to the Government of the day. Mere verbal protestations of this kind will not serve to reassure those men and women who concur with militant Suffragists in the belief that the relationship between Commons and Cabinet has grown to be unconstitutional, and that the Commons, instead of controlling the Cabinet, are now controlled by them.

If the Prime Minister wishes to destroy this belief he must prove by his action that it is unfounded. The test will come on May 5, when he will be asked whether or no the Government will leave the House of Commons free to carry their Woman Suffrage convictions into practical effect and to pass the Conciliation Bill this Session.

Christabel Pankhurst.

WARRIOR WOMEN.

By S. D. Shallard. V.—Mary Roberts and Other Soldier Women.

The Manchester Herald of December 1, 1814, says that on a respectable middle-aged woman, Mrs. Mary Roberts Taylor, applying for relief at the Churchwarden's offices in Manchester, she was found to have spent 35 years of her life in military service—22 of them as a soldier.

Mary Roberts was born in 1765. As a motherless girl she worked in boy's clothes for her father, a bricklayer. At 14 years, being motherless, and not being well treated by her father, she enlisted in the 15th Light Dragoons, as "William Roberts," passing muster without suspicion. She was soon declared the best rough-rider in the whole squad.

For twenty-one years Mary served with the 15th, winning her officers' favour by her smart, soldierly conduct, and becoming in turn corporal and sergeant. At the end of her twenty-one years—in 1800—the colonel authorised her discharge, but she preferred a transfer to the 37th Regiment, which she joined at St. Vincent, West Indies, where, falling dangerously ill, her long kept secret was at last revealed.

On recovery she had, of course, to resume a woman's clothes and life, and soon afterwards became the wife of a private soldier named Taylor, by whom she had three children. For thirteen years Mary followed the fortune of war through various climes, suffering many hardships, including two years with her husband in a French prison. Hardly were they released, at the Peace of July 1814, when Mrs. Taylor was left a widow, soon afterwards making the application for relief referred to.

The Herald says that she bore many wounds, including a sabre-cut on the head. The French imprisonment, she complained, was harder to bear and injured her more than all the risks and labours of her voyages to the East and West Indies, her march from the Red Sea through Egypt, or her campaigns in Flanders, Spain and Italy. Despite her hard and troubled life and increasing age, Mary Roberts continued for many years to enjoy excellent spirits, "fighting her battles o'er again" with all the ardour of Goldsmith's old veteran who "Shoulder'd his crutch and shewed how fields were won."

Mary Anne Talbot.

Mary Anne Talbot, youngest of sixteen natural children of Lord William Talbot, Baron Hensol, steward of the Royal Household under George III., was born in 1788 at 62, Lincoln's Inn Fields, her mother dying immediately afterwards and her father not long after. After nine years in a Shropshire village and a few years at a good boarding-school her eldest sister, brought up in a good family, and known as "The Hon. Miss Dyer," acted as mother to her until this protector also died. At thirteen Mary was left friendless. Her guardians apparently embezzled the funds left for her support and connived at her enlistment, under the name of "John Taylor," as footboy to Captain Bowen, a scamp who knew her story, and once away from England, who obtained money from her guardians by threats—and pocketed the remittances. After some service in the West Indies they sailed for Flanders, Here Mary enrolled as drummer in the Duke of York's Regiment, often marching thirty miles a day. At the siege of Valenciennes she had a rib broken by a bullet, and immediately afterwards a sword cut on the back, but managed to conceal the seriousness of these wounds until they healed. On her recovery she found Captain Bowen had been killed, and among his papers discovered his treachery and that of her guardians.

To return home she engaged on a French Inger. Captured by Lord Howe's fleet, she was made principal cabin-boy of the "Brunswick," where she was supposed to be a runaway public-school boy; shortly afterwards, the "Brunswick" went into action and Mary was wounded severely both in thigh and ankle. On leaving hospital once more she tried to get home by joining Sir Sidney Smith's squadron; but this vessel was captured by French privateers, and she lay in prison at Dunkirk for eighteen months, when she escaped to the ship "Ariel," of New York, whose captain soon made her his steward, and treated her as a friend and companion.

On landing in London she was captured by a press-gang, and then for the first time, in sheer despair, she confessed her sex, and found herself free. Calling upon her guardian and drawing her sword upon him, he fled in terror—and later blew out his brains. For years she appealed to the Government about her case, until at length Lord Morton, ascertain-

ing the truth of her story—now become public property—brought her to the Queen, who ordered her a pension. To receive it she had always to attend in sailor's dress. Mary became very well known on the smaller stages of London, acting Shakespearian and other leading parts. After a short but stormy life, full of sorrow and injustice, Mary died in 1808, aged but thirty years.

"Lieut. Harry Buford."

No more than any other happy young wife could Janeta Loreta Velasquez suppose that within five years of marriage would she find herself, not only cut off from every friend, relative and former interest in life, but in name and disguise of a man, leading to battle a squad of recruits, enlisted and drilled by herself.

Loreta was a young and beautiful girl of fourteen when, in 1856, Lieutenant Velasquez of the U.S. Army visited Havanah, fell in love with her, and carried her off. For a few years their life was as that of thousands of young couples. But one after another they lost their three children; then suddenly the Civil War broke out in the States, and Lieut. Velasquez seceded and joined the South. His now childless young wife, barely nineteen, begged in vain to go with him. But he could not bear that the gently-nurtured girl should face the horrors of war.



MARY ANN TALBOT ("JOHN TAYLOR").

However, no sooner had he gone than Loreta, fired with ardour for their cause, donned a suit and a sword of his, and in the name of "Harry Buford" tramped through the villages raising recruits, until one day, to Captain Velasquez's amazement, a weather-worn youth marching in with a dusty squad of raw recruits proved to be his wife. Delighted at her pluck and energy, he promised to keep her secret, and also to drill her recruits. But a terrible blow was to shatter Loreta's happiness, for within forty-eight hours her husband was mortally wounded by the bursting of a cartridge, and the girl found herself enrolled in the army of the South as a man, with no tie in the world and no living soul who knew her secret.

Concealing her terrible distress as best she might, Loreta accepted orders to join the Louisiana Regiment under "Stonewall" Jackson, arriving just in time to fight in the famous battle of Bull Run, where her energy and determination won her some notice. She received a recruiting commission; but this comparative inaction was so distasteful that she hit on the daring idea of playing both dispatch bearer and spy, living alternately as man and woman.

At the first opportunity, however, "Lieut. Buford" returned to active service, but almost at once was badly wounded at the fall of Fort Donelson. On recovery, believing that the surgeons had discovered her secret, she re-enlisted, this time in the East Tennessee Regiment, and soon after was very seriously wounded by the bursting of a shell, this resulting in a fresh discovery of her sex and temporary incapacity from fighting. Once more she took to the secret service, with such brilliant success that she was given many dangerous missions to perform, notably one for aiding the escape of Confederate prisoners, the plan involving personal visits to the prisons!

Here, however, came the end of the war. Thereon Loreta tried her luck as a New York broker, and in many different capacities in Europe and South America, including a spell of mining on the Pacific slope.

GETTING NEW READERS.

The widespread interest in the Census protest has provided a splendid opportunity for making new readers of VOTES FOR WOMEN, and the total has been carried forward by another hundred! Now the Easter holidays are coming on, and many members of the W.S.P.U. will be spending them with friends who are still ignorant of the true meaning of the great tide of life and strength implied by our movement. With the Woman Suffrage Bill down for second reading on May 5, this ignorance must be dispelled. And the only sure way of doing it is by enrolling them as regular readers of our paper.

March 27—April 1.

Table listing names of new readers and their addresses, including Miss M. George, Mrs. M. Wood, Mrs. Conroy, etc.

The following have obtained new readers who get the paper through local newsgazettes:—

Table listing names of readers who get the paper through local newsgazettes, including Miss M. W. Stephenson, Miss N. R. Grant, Mrs. Robertson, etc.

Among the list are included new readers in Missouri, New Jersey, Johannesburg, Rodesbosch, Bombay, Nice, and Sash.

Miss Garland has paid for the paper to be sent to Pollokshields, and suggests that some other Glasgow members, resident in wards where there are free libraries, should do the same.

Mrs. Saul Solomon is paying 10s. for the paper to be sent to certain members of Parliament.

Miss Friedlaender writes: "As an example of the way women are awakening it is interesting to note that out of the sixty papers I sold yesterday and to-day, fifty-nine were bought by women."

A member from Edinburgh who encloses a list of people to whom she sends the paper regularly writes:—

I have long recognised the fact that this paper was most important for the spreading of news of the movement, and have devoted all my attention to that branch of the work. We increased the number we bought from three dozen weekly to five dozen weekly when Mrs. Pankhurst went to America on her tour, and we still continue at that figure, sometimes increasing it according to the news recorded. We send regularly to the same people and very often they end by subscribing themselves, and then we transfer the copy to someone else. Some women we send to are too poor to buy for themselves, but they pass the paper on to their friends after they have read it, and this each paper does good missionary work on its own account. In addition to the list enclosed, we give away extra copies to other people we are trying to interest in the movement, and there are several in shops and other places of business who are quite pleased to pay for Votes for Women if we take it to them. It is not always easy for them to get out to buy for themselves.

My sister buys a number of copies each week and gives them to people while travelling, and to tradespeople, and she has interested a great many people in the cause through Votes for Women. We have people scattered in all directions. The country folk and poorer town people keep their paper to read on Sunday, and would not miss it for anything. One gamekeeper's wife in Ross-shire did not get one of her August papers, and she wrote to me and asked me if she might have the missing copy sent on! I got another for her at our shop here, and she was relieved. Her husband read it regularly and they pass it round to the neighbours. The copy that goes to Orkney is also much valued and passed round to friends. The Aberdeenshire copy ends its days at the Public Reading Room in Banffshire, when it is read there. The Borderers copy goes round the visitors in the hotel. The Transvaal copy is put into the railway "Rest Room" so that travellers can see it.

We never lose a chance of recommending the paper and giving away copies, and consider the pennies well spent when the papers are read and appreciated. Congratulations to our Edinburgh friend on her splendid zeal! This is the second week I have had to record a fine total for a Scotswoman. I am quite sure that our English Welsh and Irish members will not fail to come up to the standard which has been set by Scotland.

F. W. P. L.

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Mrs. Knight would like to bring to the notice of readers that books of all kinds, in addition to those on Woman Suffrage, may now be ordered through the Woman's Press.

SOME CENSUS PICTURES.

Forty-nine too many. While the Suffragists have been anxious not to be counted...

The Suffragists who made all the fun, for they carried out most of their programme, and were boasting that they could not possibly be counted...

It was the Suffragists who made all the fun, for they carried out most of their programme, and were boasting that they could not possibly be counted...

Whatever view may be held with regard to the determination of the Suffragists to evade the census, they cannot be accused of a lack of enterprise or ingenuity...

The Leicester Suffragists have ended the census in a manner which does credit to their strategic powers. They kept their plans secret, and in spite of their numerous setbacks...

It is interesting to bear in mind that the militant Suffragists, in objecting to the census, were following historic precedent.

Up to the time of going to press the police authorities were not able to report the discovery of the place at which the Suffragettes were spending the night...

The evasion of the census by the militant Suffragists of Manchester was a very real thing. Their plans had been carefully laid, and great secrecy was maintained with regard to part of them...

No argument in the world is likely now to prevent a continual agitation on behalf of women for what they believe to be their rights.

THE MEANING OF THE CENSUS PROTEST.

And what, after all, is behind it? Not fun, not laughter, nor rummishness. Ah, no. It is the spirit of rebellion that is abroad...

great army of women who were fighting for the vote. If he had found merely political agency he would have anticipated success for the movement...

IN FREEDOM'S CAUSE.

Not dream, nor rest, nor pause. Remains for him who round him draws. The battered maid of Freedom's cause.

NO VOTE, NO TAX. We learn from the Manchester Guardian that certain effects of Mrs. L. Jones Williams of Brighton, have been sold by auction to pay the King's taxes.

DELIGHTFUL CONCERTS.

In making a very welcome departure from the more conventional programmes to which the musical world of London is usually invited, Monsieur Michael Zacharewicz, the celebrated violinist, is applying a very definite note of distinction to his programme...

ONLY JUST AND FAIR.

Mrs. Lloyd George on Women's Suffrage. On Tuesday Mrs. Lloyd George, the wife of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, opened a bazaar in the Huddersfield Town Hall...

FACTS\* FOR MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

We propose to publish each week a few facts from the Memorandum drawn up by the Conciliation Committee with regard to the treatment of the Women's Deputations of last November.

MRS. EARL'S AFFIDAVIT.—(No. 131).

MARY FRANCES EARL, of 39, RAGLAN ROAD, IN THE COUNTY OF DUBLIN, Wife of JOHN EARL, make Oath and say as follows:—

We reached a cordon of police, and the first assault on me by police occurred. I received a blow from a policeman's fist on the nose which bled profusely. Having somewhat recovered from this I again pursued my peaceful errand, but was caught by a particularly rough policeman who seized my wrist, which was black and blue next day and is painful still.

PROFESSOR EARL.—(No. 104).

Mrs. Earl did not arrive home for nearly a fortnight after November 15. On her arrival she found a note pinned to the door, which she opened and found a note pinned to the door, which she opened and found a note pinned to the door...

HATS OFF TO DUBLIN'S LORD MAYOR!

Woman Suffrage Petition at Bar of House. It is probably not generally known that the Corporation of Dublin is almost alone in possessing the right (apart from Members of the House of Commons) of bringing petitions to that House.

Some vigorous speeches were made in support of the motion, and although it was opposed by the Sinn Féin section (who urged that no petition should be presented to the British Parliament), the speeches of this party were in favour of Woman Suffrage.

It is only on rare occasions that the Lord Mayor of Dublin uses his ancient privilege, and on those occasions the subject of his petition is of supreme importance. We learn from the Times of March 21, 1888, what the procedure is, for the Lord Mayor of Dublin of that time, accompanied by the Town Clerk and the Mace Bearer of the Dublin Corporation, all in their official robes, appeared at the Bar of the House to present a petition.

Mr. Quail, in introducing the motion, said that women had contributed to the upkeep of the State should have the same political rights as men. He also pointed out that the franchise to advance their economic and social interests. In that city there were 200 women ratepayers without votes.

The earliest record available is found in the Common Law Reports, dated June 16, 1789, when the Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin presented a petition "praying that the House may be pleased to pass the University Education (Ireland) Bill, as it now stands, into law this session, and thus remove a great injustice, the existence of which has been long and almost universally admitted."

There is something familiar about the ring of these last words, and the thoughts of suffragists will be that the Lord Mayor of Dublin when he presents the petition for the passing of the Conciliation Bill, which also will "remove a great injustice, the existence of which has been long and almost universally admitted."

THE DISCUSSION.

The motion that the Lord Mayor of Dublin should petition the House of Commons on behalf of the Conciliation Committee's Bill was first put down for the February meeting of the council, and the Irish Women's Franchise League had then secured over 700 signatures of women municipal voters to a memorial in its favour.

PAYMENT OF MEN AND WOMEN EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

The following answer, given on June 13, 1910, by Mr. Haldane to Mr. Martin, M.P., in the House of Commons, sets out the wages of men and women on that date in the Government clothing shop at Piccadilly, and provides the basis for part of the facts stated by Mrs. Petrick-Lawrence in her leading article in our issue of March 24. (See also paragraph in the Outlook this week.)

Table with columns: Detail, Number, Highest, Lowest, Average, Remarks. Rows include Women, pieceworkers, Women, tineworkers, Men, unskilled, etc.

CHELTENHAM BY-ELECTION.

On what terms would Women get the Vote? The Conciliation Bill which is now before the House of Commons would give the vote to women householders of whom about eighty per cent are working women, and would add about one million women to the electorate, which at present consists of seven and a half million men.

Why is the W.S.P.U. Opposing Major Mathias?

Last year the Woman's Suffrage Bill was supported by an overwhelming majority in the House of Commons; the second reading was carried by 110 votes, but the Bill did not become law because the Government put its veto on it. In the present House of Commons Woman Suffrage has still greater support among the individual members, but unless the Government will grant time for it to be discussed, it will again fail to become law.

FACTS FOR THE ELECTORS. Why Women want the Vote.

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