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# DREADNOUGHT WOMAN'S

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# MEETING

# CANNING TOWN PUBLIC HALL. BARKING ROAD.

Tuesday, October 13th,

To demand a minimum wage for women of 5d. an hour or £1 a week.

SYLVIA PANKHURST, GEORGE LANSBURY, Mrs. FITZGERALD Mrs. PARSONS, Mrs. DESPARD.

Chair: Miss PATERSON.

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Saturday, Oct. 10th, 3,30 p.m.—Bromley, 20 Railway Street—Poster Parade.

Sunday, Oct. 10th, 3 p.m.—Victoria Park—Miss Phillips, Miss Somers.

8 p.m.—Women's Hall—Miss Phillips, Miss Rickards, Mrs. Schlette.

Monday, Oct. 12th, 3 p.m.—Bow, Women's Hall.

8 p.m.—Lesbia Road—Mrs. Bouvier.

8 p.m.—'Peacock,' Preemason's Road—Miss Feek.

Tuesday, Oct. 12th, 2,30 p.m.—30 Churchill Road (indoors)—Mrs. E. Duval.

8 p.m.—Canning Town Public Hall—7,30 p.m.—Limehouse, Burdett Road—Mrs. E. Duval.

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# CLOTHING STALLS.

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Clothing stalls, where new and second-hand clothes may be bought at very low prices, are open at 400 Old Ford Road, Bow, on Fridays and Saturdays, and 20 Railway Street, Poplar on Saturday mornings. We shall be glad if friends can send us any clothes for these stalls. Boots and shoes are very urgently needed.

# OUR MOTHER AND BABY CENTRES.

Our milk bill has increased to enormous proportions. We are supplying milk to babies and invalids daily at 400 Old Ford Road. The members at Crowder's Hall, Bow, and 20 Railway Street, Poplar are also increasing rapidly, and we want to start a further centre at Canning Town. We cannot open a centre at Canning Town until we get more money. We also urgently need further subscriptions to keep going our present supply of milk, which has already saved numbers of baby lives. Quite a number who have been given up by the doctors have been saved by the milk and the care of the nurses and doctors who are so kindly helping us. Doctor Lilian Simpson attends weekly at Old Ford Road and Dr. E. M. Royle at O Railway Street, Poplar. Nurses Smith, Pritchard, Godwin and Hebbes are also giving very valuable help. Another nurse will be needed for the are also giving very valuable help.
Another nurse will be needed for the centre we wish to start at Canning Town. Who will volunteer?
We greatly need gifts of:—

THE BABIES' HOUSE.

The East London Federation of the Suffragettes is opening a Babies' House at 45 Norman Road as soon as it can be got ready. Lady Sybil Smith will take charge of the nursery, which will be run on the most up-to-date lines. The babies in the nursery will be the children of mothers who go out to work, they will range from a few months old to five years. In the upper part of the house some of the nurses and others who have come down here to help with our work will be able to live. Some of the furniture for the house has already been given to us, but we still need chairs, tables, cupboards with drawers and space for hanging, knives, forks and spoons, six fenders and sets of fire irons, two sets of tollet ware, four towel horses, brushes and cooking utensils, tables of all sizes, towels and bed and table linen, four babies' high chairs and some more perambulators. We shall be very grateful if friends will send these things to us.



THE RAILWAY STREET RESTAURANT.

# BABIES' OUTFITS.

We wish to be able to lend ne-cessitous mothers outfits for their babies, for the first months, and to give them the first set of short baby clothes.

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With the money subscribed for finding employment, we are getting baby clothes made, and paying unemployed women for making these things. Those who would give money and materials for making baby clothes would help in one of the best possible ways. Gifts of baby clothes can be made good use of, also nightdresses, quilts, blankets and sheets for the mothers. Even old sheets can be cut up for babies' napkins.

Each baby's outfit should constant of the subscript of the subscript

# **OUR EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.**

Another nurse will be needed for the centre we wish to start at Canning Town. Who will volunteer? We greatly need gifts of:—

EGGS.

For invalids and babies who are too ill to digest milk, and are given the white of egg beaten up in water.

ARROWROOT, BARLEY & RICE.
BORAGIC POWDER, BORAGIC LINT, VASELINE, ZINC OINT-MENT and BANDAGES.

OUR EMPLOYMENI BUKEAU.

Women who can work care more for women beat more to work than for charitable doles, what we need most is money to set them to work. We are employing women to make garments to give away to destitute mothers who are ill or who have too many children to be able to do anything beyond the unpaid labour of caring for their homes work. We are struggling to raise the sweated wages of women, and though week. We are only able to employ a number of women as many orders and as much money women at a sweated wage and pay a minimum of 5d. an hour or £1 a week. We are struggling to raise the sweated wages of women, and though were only able to employ a number of women. Please send us as many orders and as much money to women at a sweated wage and pay a minimum of 5d. an hour or £1 a week. We are enored what we refuse to employ a number of women. Please send us as many orders and as much money to women at a sweated wage and pay a minimum of 5d. an hour or £1 a week. We are estruggling to raise the sweated wages of women, and though week. We are only able to employ a sumber of women. Please send us as many orders and as much money to women at a sweated wage and pay a minimum of 5d. an hour or £1 a week. We are employing women at a sweated wage and pay a minimum of 5d. an hour or £1 a week. We are entrement to give any to destitute mothers who are the more than the complete of women as many orders and as much money to set them to work. We are employing women at a sweated wage and pay a minimum of 5d. an hour or £1 a week. We are also executing orders for knitting and garment maken the complete orders and the payed of the work.

LADIES-Glace Kid Button Boots 9/6 and 11/6; Lace ditto. Box Calf, 9/6
11/6 and 12/6. Superior quality,
hand-sewn, 18/- to 21/- or hand
"sew-round" from 12/6 to 21/Shoes, Glace Kid or Box Calf,
7/6, 8/6 and 9/6. Superior quality,
hand-sewn or hand "sew-round"

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GENTS—Lace and Button Boots, Glace Kid 11/6 to 15/-. Box Calf 6d. extra. Superior quality, hand-sewn 18/- to 21/-.
GIRLS—Glace Kid Button Boots, sizes 11 to 1 in women's, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6. Sizes 4 to 10, 3/6 to 7/6. Box Calf ditto.

and sheets for the mothers. Even old sheets can be cut up for babies' napkins.

Each baby's outfit should consist of:— FOR BABY.

Four gowns, three flannel barrows, two flannel bands, twelve napkins, three vests and a cot blanket.

FOR MOTHER.

Two night gowns, a woollen shawl, three towels, two sheets and one pair pillowcases.

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tive Boot Factory we hope to employ a number of women. Please send us as many orders and as much money

## EAST LONDON WOMEN AT THE WAR OFFICE.

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On Friday October 2nd, it was arranged by Lord Kitchener, that Mr. Harold Baker should receive, on his behalf, a deputation from the East London Federation of the Suffragettes. When the deputation of twelve women reached the main entrance to the War Office, they were told, before they had a moment to state their business, that the enquiry office was at the side door. They explained that they did not want to make enquiries, but had an appointment with Mr. Harold Baker; but the policeman in charge would not listen, and merely repeated that they must go to the side door. When they had gone round to the side door they found a large number of people examining a German gun, and numbers of others who had come to ask information. Some moments passed before they could get anyone to attend to them. Then Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, who was the leader of the deputation, was asked to leave the others waiting in the courtyard and to go inside with an official. This official eventually escorted her to the porter at the main entrance, where the deputation had originally applied. The porter said that deputations to important people like Mr. Harold Baker always came in through the front door, but he had no instructions in regard to this particular deputation, and must make further enquiries. Having done so he reported that he had found a room for the devertice.

he had no instructions in regard to this particular deputation, and must make further enquiries. Having done so he reported that he had found a room for the deputation, but that it was not large enough to receive them all. The room proved large enongh to receive many more than twelve women, but there was only a limited number of chairs.

Mr. Harold Baker seemed taken aback when he found that, instead of being a group of official persons the deputation consisted almost entirely of soldiers' wives. He said to Miss Pankhurst: "I only want to hear the officials; I do not want to listen to the actual cases." Miss Pankhurst said: "But surely you want to understand their point of view and to hear what their actual experience is?" Mr. Baker replied: "This is not a court of enquiry; we are not prepared to receive sworn statements. It is no use listening to them." Miss Pankhurst said: "This deputation is to represent the opinions and experiences." receive sworn statements. It is no use listening to them." Miss Pank-hurst said: "This deputation is to represent the opinions and experiences of the women concerned. It will lose a great part of its value if you do not hear them." Mr. Baker replied that he could only allow five women in the room at once and that the remaining seven must be left outside. Under pressure he agreed to hear what some of the soldiers' wives had (Continued on page 119, col. 1.)

# A Public Meeting

Limehouse Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 14th,

AT 8 P.M.

To demand a minimum wage for women of 5d. an hour or £1 a week.

SYLVIA PANKHURST, BEN TILLETT, JOHN SCURR, Mrs. WALKER, MISS MARGARETTA HICKS Chair : Mrs. DRAKE.

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### DISTRICT REPORTS.

BOW AND BROMLEY.

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Organiser—Mrs. WATKINS.
321 Roman Road, Bow, E.
Good meetings have been held indoor and out during the past week. It was good to see so many at the members of residual that was good to see so many at the members of residual that was good to see so many at the members of always turning make that; we have enough members to fill the hall twice over, and we dridas. A working party will leave the shop in Roman Road, on Tuesday at 3.p.m., volunteers wanted; also sellers for the Dreadnought. We do want our paper in evidence at the theatres and picture palaces, will members please help. Many thanks are due to those who take collecting-boxes, and to Miss Marks especially, who is always so willing to help. Help is also wanted to advertise our big meeting at Canning Town on October 13th. Who has any old or discarded clothes they can part with? we do need them so much for the distressed of East London. Funds are urgently needed to keep our work going and to help to buy milk for babies and nursing mothers. Please remember the Sunday evening meetings at the Women's Hall at 8 p.m. Come and bring others with you.

Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2:—

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Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2:—
Central 359. Bow and Bromley 253.

Mrs. Warkins 81

Mrs. Knudser. McCheyne, 350;
Mrs. Connell and Mrs. Moore, 250; Mrs. Savoy, 250; Mrs. Carlisle, 200; Mrs. Morris, 200; Mrs. Clarke, 200; Mrs. Mantle, 200; Mrs. Clarke, 100; Mrs. Lake, 100.

### POPLAR.

DREADNOUGHT Secretary, Mrs. BIRD, 20 Railway Street.

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20 Railway Street.
Removal to new quarters is having good
effect, five new members having been made
this week. Miss S. Pankhurs's meeting
was well atronded on Tuesday, also fairly
good meeting 1 Dock Cates on Wednesday
night considering alteration of night from
Tuesday to Winesday. Thanks to Mr.
Victory and at Piggort Street meeting on
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tither of the stand at St. Paul's
Cathedral on Sunday morning, to cither sell
papers or collect money for babies' milk
t is hoped that with the changes now taking
place, members will make a great effort to
make Poplar a real live centre of the E.L.F. S.
Members are also asked to bear in mind the
two great meetings in the month. Canning
Town on Iuesday, 13th, and Limehouse
Town Hall on the 14th. We should also be
pleased to receive the names of those who
would undertake to sell Dreadnoughts in
their workshops or factories. Good proganda work can be done in this way.
112 Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2. 112 Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2.

HACKNEY. Secretary—Miss Young, eenwood Road, Dalston, N.E.

100 Greenwood Road, Dalston, N.E. Open-air meeting held at Lesbia Road on Monday. Thanks to Mrs. Davis for her very interesting speech, a huge crowd assembled to hear her. Splendid indoor meeting held at 30 'clock. Mrs. Walker spoke on the White Slave Traffic to a good number of working women. Will members kindly make this meeting known, we want also to commence sharp at three o'clock. A great many Hackney members attended the dinner party at the Women's Hall.

21 Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2. LIMPEHOLISE.

## LIMEHOUSE

Very good open-air meeting held at Coutts
Road, Mrs. Walker in the chair. Thanks to
Miss Fedden for her speech. Indoor meeting for Women only held at Deacon's Vestry,
Burdett Road, every Thursday afternoon.
All our friends have now returned from
hopping, so we hope to see our hall full
once more.

15 Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2.

# SOUTH WEST HAM. fon. Sec.—MRS. DAISY PARSON 94 Ravenscroft Road.

All members please make a point of being present at the Public Hall on Tuesday next as it is the first big meeting of the Autumn campaign. We need stewards, paper-sellers, and collectors for our babies' milk fund. The speaker at the "Peacock" on Monday was Mrs. Bouvier. Unfortunately, speaker for Beckton Road was ill and could not come. Do not forget indoor meeting at 124 Barking Road, Thursdays at 8 p.m. We want to welcome friends again from Gregory and Crediton Road districts. Come and bring a friend to join, as we want a huge membership to bring pressure to bear on the Government to bring about Votes for Women.

## OTHER EAST LONDON SOCIETIES.

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R. S. P. U.
Hon. Sec. -J. W. Bonakhus, 89 Wyke Road.
The R.S. P. U. will hold a Social on Saturday, Oct. 17th, at the Women's Hall, 400
Old Ford Road, and hope that all new and old friends will rally again to support same. Admission 3d. and refreshments at popular prices. All members of the R.S. P. U. are kindly requested to attend Branch meeting at the above hall on Tuesday next. Important business.

24 Dreadnoughts sold week ending Oct. 2.

REPORT OF DISTRESS WORK IN POPLAR.—Week ending October 2.

Mrs. Drark, Distress Society.

We commenced work in the "Women's Hall," Railway Street, Poplar, on Monday, 28th. Everything went with aswing from the beginning, all working with waswing from the beginning, all working with was certain, and the second of the second

we have done all that is possible.

GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED.

Mrs. Gilliatt 2.6, Mrs. Taylor (fortnightly) 5.0,
Mrs. H. B. Lancaster 5.0, Mrs. Macunamara 2.6, A Potts 2.6, Drs. Mrs. Jones 5.0, Mrs. Miss Jones 5.0, Mrs. Mrs. Jones 5.0, Mrs. Mrs. Jones 5.0, For Milks And GENERAL, DISTRESS:
Mrs. Jones 1.0, A.S.L.E., & F. Bow Branch 3.0, Mrs. Ashby 5.0, Miss Veoman (weekly) 10.0, H. Smalley, Esq. 10.0, Miss White 5.0, Mrs. Patterson 10.0, Miss Rellamy & Miss Saunderson 5.0, Miss Marks (collected) 8.5, Mrs. A. Newman 3.0, Mrs. M. Morgan 2.6, International Suffrage Shop (collected) 6.0, Anon 5.0, A Walworth Sympathiser 2.0, per Mrs. L. T. Lobley 2.10.0, Anon 2.0, Mrs. Walsh 5.0, Miss Coombs (6d. weekly) 2.0, Mrs. Drew 1.76, Miss Marks (collected) 15.9, Miss Watts (collected) 10.6, Misses Mann 15.0, Anon (fortnightly) 6.0.0, Cuckoo 1.6, Miss Forbes Robertson 5.0, C. M. Richardson 10.0, Miss Beatrice Harraden 1.0.0, A Worker 1.0, Mrs. J. Johnson, W.S.P.U. 2.6, Miss L. E. M. Watt 1.00, Miss E. Canning 5.0, per Mrs. Sadd Brown 3.0, B. R. McLennan, Esq. 1.00, Miss Cadwell 10.0, Mrs. Neinher 12.6, Hard-up reporter 1.0, Mrs. Reinhond 5.0, per Mrs. Agutter 10.0, Miss Auerbach 5.0, Mrs. Miss Henry 1.26, Hard-up reporter 1.0, Mrs. Reinhond 5.0, Mrs. Marker 10.0, Miss Auerbach 5.0, Mrs. Miss Agutter 10.0, Miss Auerbach 5.0, Mrs. Markers Mrs. Graham, per Mrs. Mercier, E. Ham C.L.W.S.

Box op Pears—Miss E. Robins. Chortnes—Mrs. Rindall, Mrs. Ward-Higgs, Mrs. Colb, Mrs. Dale, Miss M. Orr.

13 Victoria Rd., Brighton, 4/10/14.

Cormes—Mrs. Rindall, Mrs. Ward-Higgs.
Mrs. Cobb. Mrs. Dale, Miss M. Orr.

13 Victoria Rd., Brighton, 4/10/14.
Dear Miss Pankhurst.—
May I, through our splendid little
paper, suggest how either coals or
gas can be saved during these hard
times, by using a hay box for cooking
rice, macaroni, stews, fruit, or anything that requires slow cooking.
Any wooden box will do, but a very
useful size is a Tate's sugar box,
which can be had at most grocers for
4d. You first line it well with newspapers to cover over any cracks there
may be, then you nearly fill it with
hay, you then make a hay cushion
just the size of the top of the box,
then the hay box is ready for use. If
you want to make it nice-looking you
can cover it with cretonne, puthandles
and castors on. Now, how to use: we
will take rice for an example; you put
your saucepan on the gas or fire, let
it boil, put in a pinch of salt to your
rice, let it come to the boil again, see
that the cover is on tight, and while
still boiling put the saucepan into a
sort of nest in the hay, put the cushion
on top and if you have it, you can put
a thick cloth over it, and in about
14 hours you will have a perfectly
cooked rice, gas saved, and no burnt
saucepans. The one point to remember is, that whatever you are going to
cook must be really boiling and well cooked rice, gas saved, and no burnt saucepans. The one point to remember is, that whatever you are going to cook must be really boiling and well covered when you put it in.

I have two of these boxes in use and find them a great comfort.

Wishing you every success in your desire to relieve the awful distress that seems to be on all sides,

I am, yours sincerely, M. S. TURNER

### DOES EDUCATION FEED?

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The problem of distress at the present time is admittedly a problem of women and juveniles. According to he census returns for 1911, 1,339,344 women wage-earners out of a total of 4,830,734 are under 20 years of age; while of these 843,053 are 17 years and under. The majority of these girls are probably "living with parents," and, in spite of the fact that many of them are not only self-supporting but contributing to the upkeep of the home, this fact proves an obstacle to their obtaining either relief, or work from the Central (Unemployment) Body. Two young single women in Bow were recently refused even the right to register at the local Distress Committee because they lived with (and partly kept) their father, a casual labourer who thought himself lucky when he got three days' employment in the week. It is inevitable that at this time of widespread-unemployment many juveniles should be thrown out of work, or on leaving school should be unable to find employment, and the recognition of this fact is forcing on the authorities and the public alike a consideration of the whole question of juvenile labour. It is admitted on all hands that wage-earning for boys and girls under 16 has disastrous effects on the health and general physique, that it tends to swell the vast army of casual labour and that it has a direct connection with juvenile crime.

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sique, that it tends to swell the vast army of casual labour and that it has a direct connection with juvenile crime.

"These things," says Mr. R. H. Tawney, an authority on juvenile employment, "are not matters of conjecture but certainties. They are written down in the cool language of official documents."

Now, in the face of widespread unemployment, an attempt has been made to obviate the evil effects of enforced idleness amongst boys and girls by a scheme of continuation classes in connection with the Labour Exchanges, and an oblique compulsion to attend is involved in the announcement of the officials that they will give preference, in the matter of vacancies in the labour market, to those juveniles who are availing themselves of these classes.

This scheme is as ill thought-out as it is well-intentioned. It is assumed at the present time that a boy or girl over 14 is self-supporting. The separation allowance to soldiers' wives, the allowance paid to the wives of men at Hollesley Bay, the wages paid to women in the workrooms of the Distress Committee are all reckoned in respect of the number of children under 14. If a boy or girl therefore is considered to be self-supporting as soon as he or she leaves school, attendance at continuation classes ought to guarantee their maintenance just as work at Hollesley Bay Labour to guarantee their maintenance just as work at Hollesley Bay Labour Colony (which is, at least in intention, partly educational and of physical benefit to the men) guarantees the maintenance of themselves and their wives their wives.

There is, moreover, a very strong objection to the semi-compulsory nature of the scheme as it is being worked at present. If it is desirable mature of the scheme as it is being worked at present. If it is desirable that juveniles should continue to receive education and discipline up to the age of 16 it is highly illogical to deprive them of it as a reward for having availed themselves of this opportunity. Under the existing arrangement the Labour Exchange officials propose to give the offer of employment to a boy or girl of 14 who has begun to attend the classes rather than to one of 17 who has not done so.

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What is wanted is maintenance scholarships of 10s. a week for boys and girls aged from 14 to 16, and 15s. a week for those aged 16 to 18, open to all juveniles between the ages of 14 and 18, with an equal opportunity for employment whether those registered at the Exchange had attended the classes (and enjoyed the maintenance scholarship) or not. This would have the beneficial effect of raising the wages of juveniles to a minimum of from 10s. to 15s. a week, since, presumably, few would be tempted to leave school for a wage lower than the maintenance scholarship. It would also tend to relieve unemployment by removing from the labour market a number of children who are at present doing practically who are at present doing practically

an adult's work at less than a quarter an adult's wage; while a thorough training in some trade, or even the development of general intelligence and powers of observation would proand powers of observation would pro-bably save many of the children from drifting into the ranks of casual labour in later life. Is this too far-sighted a policy for the Government to adopt?

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### PROTECTION FROM WAR DISTRESS. By HENRY H. SLESSER.

aknowledgments to the Daily Citizen). If, by reason of the war, you are in arrears with your rent, or in debt, or cannot pay your insurance policies, the new Courts (Emergency Powers)

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Act, 1914, may protect you.
You are protected:—

(a) If you are in debt for any sum (including rent) which you made an agreement to pay before August 4,

agreement to pay before rags. In 1914.

(b) If you owe rent for less than £50, whether you made an agreement to pay before August 4 or not.

(c) If you have agreed to pay any life or endowment premiums on a policy not worth more than £25, payable at monthly intervals or less, and which has been paid since August 4, 1012.

August 4, 1912.
(d) If a bankruptcy petition has been presented against you.

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LEVYING DISTRESS.

Your creditor or landlord cannot levy distress, enter possession, fore-close, or execute any judgment, nor can he forfeit your deposit, or enforce the lapse of your policy of insurance, or proceed with the petition in bank-ruptcy, without first applying to the Court.

Court.

The Court may be the High Court, or, in cases when the amount is less than £100, the County or Magistrates' Court. If it is a case of executing a judgment, it will be the Court where judgment was delivered.

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If, on the application, the Court is of opinion that time should be given you to make the payment, on the ground that you are unable to make the payment by reasons directly or indirectly, attributable to the war, or, in the case of bankruptcy, if the Court thinks you are unable to pay your debts because of the present war, it can, after considering all the circumstances of the case, stop the execution or bankruptcy petitlen or refuse your creditor any remedies on such terms as it thinks fit.

# IRISH SUFFRAGISTS.

The Dublin Suffragists' Emergency Council is organising a scheme for a Co-operative Dining Room. Members of the Council have been to see our "Cost Price" Restaurants in order that they may develop on similar lines. The Southend W.S.P.U. have also decided to start a restaurant, after visiting ours.

# UNEMPLOYMENT.

The Board of Trade reports that on October 2nd, in trades not insured against unemployment, 29,278 men were registered as unemployed by the Labour Exchanges and 36,618 women. In the previous week the figures were 30,336 and 35,637 respectively. Unemployment is therefore increasing amongst women and slightly decreasing amongst men.

## A LULLABY.

Without apologies to Sir Walter Scott.
O hush thee, my baby, thy sire was a slave,
Whom overwork thrust in the dark, early

grave; The gloomy, grey streets from this den which we see. we see, Are hungrily waiting, dear baby, for thee, O hush thee, my baby.

O hush thee, my baby.

O sleep whilst thou may, babe, by night and by day,
Thy pale mother rests not, but stitches away;
There's no one to guard thee from hungerbut she,
Her tears flowing silently all for thee.
O hush thee, my baby.
O hush thee, my baby, through days dark
and wild
Stream sun-shafts of glory that can't be

and wild Stream sun-shafts of glory that can't be defiled; The marching of myriads is borne to our

ears,
And we will march with them, and sing through our tears.
O hush thee, my baby!

ETHEL CARNIE—"Voices of Womanhood"
Published by Headley Brothers, Bishopsgate.