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THE ULSTER GAME



MASTER ASQUITH and MASTER REDMOND (horrified): "Look here! Don't ask that girl to play. She'll spoil the game!"

MASTER EDWARD CARSON: "She'll spoil it much more if we don't let her play."

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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

THE OUTLOOK

With the close of the holidays the work for the autumn has begun in real earnest in all the suffrage camps, and work for this particular autumn means the commencement of work for the year which provides the last chance of securing votes for women during the present Parliament.

Commencement of the Parliamentary Year

Every politician knows that when there is no autumn sitting, preparations for the following session begin directly the summer is over; it is then that

that the principal Bills are drafted, it is then that members of the Government and ordinary M.P.'s seek their constituencies and come into contact with the feeling of the electorate. Suffragists must therefore be up and doing if they are to win the day.

The Session of 1914

The session which lies in front of us is no ordinary session. Not only is it in all probability the last before the dissolution, but it is also the one in which the Parliament Act is expected to come into operation to secure the passage of the Welsh Disestablishment and Home Rule Bills. Moreover, the prospect of the future of Ireland is causing grave concern to all the more serious -minded of the public men and women to-day. It is into this complex political situation that women have to force the consideration of woman suffrage, if they are not prepared to submit to postponement for several years.

The Duty of the Electors

We believe that the principle of the extension of the franchise to duly qualified women commands, at the present day, almost universal assent, but that some plain-speaking by electors is necessary to bring this fact home to the members of the House of Commons. Many Liberals are shocked at the negation

Cabinet Ministers prepare their programme, it is then | of Liberal principles shown by Mr. Asquith in this matter, and at the disingenuous tactics of Mr. Lloyd George; if they would take their courage in both hands and tell these ministers plainly that there must be no more trifling on the question, but that a Votes for Women Bill must be placed on the statute book during 1914, we believe that all obstacles would melt away.

Ulster and Woman Suffrage

During the past week a decision has been taken by the Unionist party in Ulster which is of the utmost importance to woman suffragists. The Ulster Unionist Council, which has in hand the formation of an Ulster Provisional Government, in the event of the passing into law of the Home Rule Bill, has decided to include women among the electorate on the basis of the existing register for local government purposes. This important announcement was made in the form of a letter from the secretary of the Ulster Unionist Council to the Ulster Women's Unionist Association, which was published in the Press on Friday last. The letter, which we give in full on page 723, proceeded to announce proposals for the immediate co-option of women on to committees

Congratulations to All Concerned

Previous to this announcement the W.S.P.U. had already raised this issue in a letter to Sir Edward

Edward Carson has never declared himself a suf- Bills that deal with votes for men. fragist. Rightly or wrongly he has been supposed to be long to the anti-suffrage group on the Opposition Front Bench. But faced with a definite situathe case have been too much for him.

More Just than Mr. Asquith

By conferring upon women, whose help he accepts, than are his protagonists, Mr. Redmond and Mr. United States, has done much to keep the country woman scientist's fight for intellectual equality. going during its troublous times. Thankful enough to accept the sacrifices and services of women in their In an article on women and the Insurance Act, period of weakness and struggle, the Liberal party, which will be found on page 727, Mrs Pethick at the instigation of Mr. Asquith, and the Irish party, | Lawrence points out that "the married women who at the insistence of Mr. Redmond, have, in the period labour in the home as wives and mothers are prac-

over-trustfulness have brought them to dishonour. It seems that there has been some trouble in the over-trustfulness have brought them to dishonour. They have had too little self-respect. At no time in the past have they demanded their due as the price of their favours. Thus they have been betrayed and deserted, as women who play such a part have been and will be. But the new generation of women is politically wiser. The militant suffrage movement materially benefit, which means that the societies materially described in the societies arising out of the fact that doctors have in many cases certified insured matried women as unfit for work three months prior to the birth of their child. They are thus entitled to 7s. 6d. sick benefit per week for ten or twelve weeks, as well as to the 30s. maternity benefit, which means that the societies arising out of the fact that doctors have in many cases certified insured matried women as unfit for work three months prior to the birth of their child. They are thus entitled to 7s. 6d. sick benefit per week for ten or twelve weeks, as well as to the 30s. politically wiser. The militant suffrage movement has taught women their own worth and value. And consequently they have risen in the estimation of men have to pay as much as a total of five guineas to under these conditions, who realise that in future they must and politicians, who realise that in future they must give honour to women if they would win their

A Liberal's Advice to the Government

motion likely to occur in Ireland on the passage of the Home Rule Bill. Will not some other Liberal statesman be found wise enough to call a halt to the Liberal Cabinet in their policy with regard to women? Irishmen are proverbially easy to rouse, ownean? Irishmen are proverbially easy to rouse, the some of the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women on the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made by women in the score of pregnancy claims made in the score of pregnan Liberal Cabinet in their policy with regard to women? Irishmen are proverbially easy to rouse, women are known to be the law-abiding sex; yet the vast constitutional demand of the women for the vast constitutions. vast constitutional demand of the women for the franchise has already exasperated many women to the point of serious violence, and the continued contemptuous and cruel attitude of the Government is daily driving more and more women into open rebel-

A Government Bill in Holland

The Dutch Government has tentatively placed woman suffrage on its programme. In the Speech from the Throne at the opening of the States-general last Tuesday, a Bill was foreshadowed which would Thursday evening, October 16, at 8 p.m., organised give adult suffrage to men, and would also remove from the Constitution all obstacles to the enfranchisement of women. Though we cannot interpret this ment of women. Though we cannot interpret this pledge as anything more than a means of paving the way for the possible inclusion of women in the from the Ticket Secretary, Votes for Women, 4-7, and the entors of this paper, art. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence. Tickets, price 2s. 6d. and 1s., reserved, and 6d. unreserved, can be obtained from the Ticket Secretary, Votes for Women, 4-7, 8 and 10, Boulevard Malesherbes, PARIS; manhood suffrage Bill at a later stage, we warmly Red Lion Court, Fleet Street, E.C.

Carson inviting him to receive a deputation from congratulate our Dutch sisters on the preliminary them, and it may well be that this fact was in-strumental in procuring a discussion in the Council From Italy, too, comes news of a Bill to be introduced quarter ending July, we find a courageous criticism strumental in procuring a discussion in the Council and the favourable result. The news would, in the natural course, be communicated first to the Unionist women of Ulster. In any case, we congratulate all concerned in the ultimate decision, which we regard as of great value in the fight for the vote. Sir

tion which demands action, the logic and necessity of by the Press to those women who have not discovered and suffragists will agree with this opinion, and with radium, but are asking for a vote. We cannot much else in this interesting quarterly record. refrain from observing that the readiness of certain encourage women, even if they had the talent, to give | Criminality," for instance, Captain St. John says:-Asquith. It was admittedly the Liberal women up what the Globe picturesquely calls "the rant and who kept the Liberal flag flying in the dark days violence of the misguided militants," for what the of Liberalism that preceded the year 1906. As Daily Telegraph terms the "quiet and sterling work for the Irish Nationalist women, they have been the backbone of the Home Rule agitation. Not Mrs. Ayrton would be a Fellow of the Royal Society only in the crisis that followed on the imprison- to-day if she were not a woman. But for the same ment of Mr. Parnell and the members of the Land disability, Madame Curie would be a member of League, did they play an important part. Thousands the French Académie des Sciences. In the face of tion taken from the paper on "Prison Régime" proof them have devoted their means, time, and service these facts, it is sheer hypocrisy on the part of the posingto the campaign, while the money sent back to the papers we have quoted to seek to dissociate the old folks from Irish servants in Canada and the militant woman's fight for political equality from the

Mothers and the Insurance Act

of their prosperity, meanly repudiated their debt. | tically excluded from the scheme except in so far as The Old Mistake of Women

The Irish women, speaking generally, and the Liberal women also, have perpetrated the old disastrous mistake of women. Ignorance of men and over-trustfulness have brought them to dishonour.

The Old Mistake of Women

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The Irish women, speaking generally, and the benefits, such as they are, which now accrue to married women under the Act, unless extreme vigilance is exercised by women in the immediate future. the maternity benefit is concerned." We have grave ing only 5s. a week.

A Grave Danger

The Insurance Commissioners have referred the Be the weather societies in question to the Malingering Com- URBITOR is Yet another development in the Irish situation is of interest to woman suffragists. The political air has been full during the past week of discussion on Lord Loreburn's letter proposing to hold a conference with a view to averting the disastrous civil comence with a view to averting the disastrous civil comemphasise too deeply the danger to the rights of working mothers that is here threatened.

Item of Interest

Next week's Votes for Women, which will be on sale during the Church Congress at Southampton, will contain an article by the Rev. Dr. Percy Dearmer, entitled "The English Marriage Service," which has been written especially for that issue.

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newspapers to attribute Madame Curie's success partly to the work done by men who preceded her read by Captain Arthur St. John on different the same status that men are to occupy under the proposed Provisional Government, he has proved himself

Hertha Ayrton which we print elsewhere), does not prisoned for the cause. In the address, "Against the address," Against the address, "Against the Against the Ag

A very difficult and delicate question is that of how to improve the personnel of the magistracy. The present state of affairs is far from satisfactory. I am afraid the powers that be hardly realise the amount of dissatisfaction that at present exists with regard to our magistracy, both high and low, and the little confidence judges nd magistrates inspire. As things are, the Bresents a great stumbling block in the path of penal reference.

Suffragists will agree equally with the recommenda-

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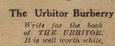
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On September 11 Mr. J. M. Hamill, beretary of the Ulster Women's Unionist buncil, received the following letter from F. Dawson Bates, Secretary of the lister Unionist Council—
"Pear Mr. Hamill,—I am authorised inform you that the draft articles of ovision! Government already approved by this Council include the franchise for men on the basis of the register for the will be no supreme council, the final decision being with Sir Edward Carson, Correspondent of the "Daily Citizen."

A Valuable Precedent

"We believe the announcement to be straight and above board, but are waiting, somewhat cautiously, before committing is step the Council are merely following unrelieves. In the present crisis it is The art in the standard case of the finding of the standard cases.

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DOROTHY EVANS."

WHAT SUFFRAGISTS THINK ABOUT IT THE MILITARY VIEW

Mrs. Baker, of the Irish Women's Suf-rage Society, sends us the following in-eresting view of the promise given to the

"So far as we can gather, this is what has been granted. The municipal register will be used in electing the Provisional Parliament, and, as the qualifications for this are exactly the same for men as for

anwhile carry on the work of "pro-ional" government. . . Mr. Bates of demanding the vote for women has

VOTES FOR WOMEN.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE

WOMEN AT THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION

answer to the W.S.P.U. appear of the Edward Carson, it is officially announced not only that women will have votes in Ulster, but that they will be represented to the trouble if the precede to the trouble if the precede British Association be followed."

We reproduce on this page a picture of British Association be followed.

"A Great Innovation"

Miss Ethel Sargant, the first woman ever appointed to preside over a Section at the British Association, prefaced her presidential address by saying: "Section

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The "Herald's" Way

Alone among the papers which have remarked upon Miss Sargant's admir-able fuiliment of her presidency, the Daily nerald, in its cheery, humorous way, draws the real moral from her suc-

and work of the Federation has brought at the present cituation.

This year's meeting of the British Association has been remarkable for the presence of notable women scientists, and the researches of women. The Daily Mail of the Irish Women's Suffrage eration will wait on Sir Edward Carata Belfast next week to discuss details rding the enfranchisement of women are the Provisional Government scheme.

PRESS COMMENTS

THE SUFFRAGETTE TRUMPET

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NEW FICTION

THE EIGHTH YEAR OF MARRIED LIFE

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THE SPIRIT OF THE TIMES

'So it is with the Damsel"t is a story in which th that folly, vanity, the desire for amusement and a good time, are potent agents in the bringing about of perilous positions. But the point of the story, its merit and its chief significance, lie in the fact that the fall of the heroine, brought about not with, but against, her will, does not compass her undoing. She escapes from the Argentine, whither she has been taken, and, refusing to look upon herself as ruined by a fate she was powerless to prevent, makes a new life for herself, marries and uses her success, her position, and her experience to help others to rise position, and her experience to help others to rise as she has risen. Twenty years ago, a woman who had lost her physical chastity could never in fiction—or, save by deceit, in fact—have achieved respectability; twenty years ago no hero would have accepted as pure the victim of circumstances such as are in this book described. To-day, slowly but certainly, the pressure of the woman's movement is changing idea and standards, and Miss Nora Vynne illustrates in her interesting story the rising spirit of the times.

A SUMMER NOVEL

In "Averno" § Mr. Mitford gives us an interesting light novel, with several good adventures and fine descriptions of scenery, both of the English countryside and of the African veldt. He appears rather specially fond of the hero, Philip Averno, a keen sportsman, and, on the whole, an interesting character. Averno seems to be able to do no wrong, even when he to all intents and purposes breaks off his engage-ment in a fit of pride, the consequence of being kept

waiting by his funcie.

The story opens with a scene at an out-door political meeting which a girl and her aunt interrupt with cries of "Votes for Women," which causes much uproar, and the two are only rescued from a nasty situation by the aid of the hero. It strikes one that the elderly suffragist, the aunt, is painted in rather unfavourable colours; she is pictured as dragging in the subject of suffrage at every odd minute in quite an un-suffragist way, and altogether is depicted as rather more of a bore than was probably the case.

Mrs. Enscombe is another woman on whose bad points the author comments, but neither her husband nor any of the male characters, of course, barring the great black Kaffir and his brethren, seem to possess any weaknesses at all.

Still, in spite of these minor deficiencies, "Averno" is a good book which holds the reader's interest.

"Love and Lovers." By Orme Balfour. (London: T. Werner Laurie. Price 3s. 6d. net.)
"The Racial Curse." By Frances Swiney. (London: The League of Isis. Price 6d.)

* "The Eighth Year. A Vital Problem of Married Life." By Philip Gibbs. (London: Williams and Norgate. Price 2a. net.)

† "So it is with the Damsel." By Nora Vynne. (Stanley Paul and Co. 6s. net.) §"Averno." By Bertram Mitford. (London: Ward, Lock and Co., Ltd. Price 6s.)

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stantly learn from it how little I know, and this urs me on to something better, both mentally demorably."

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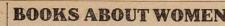
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Tracing woman's life through the ages, he finds her first humiliated and slandered, then curbed and restrained, always having to prove herself ten times better than the man before her work can receive the value due to it, till he finally brings us to the birth of the new woman:—

The twentieth century will be the century of woman, as the eighteenth and nineteenth were especially those of the "Rights of Man."

It is impossible to raise barriers against the mighty force which is coming from all the four winds of heaven, sometimes in one form, sometimes in another, but always with the same underlying motive, the full, free emancipation of woman—body, mind, and soul.

in an interesting manner. Along with the increasing emancipation of womanhood goes the distressing factor of their undoubted exploitation and under payment in the Labour Market. More and more women remain unmarried, and more and more go out yearly to earn their daily bread. Under the present conditions they are bound to be taken advantage of; but the author thinks the very fact of their exploitation will bring about its own remedy, and that woman is gaining in energy what she has lost in resignation. The limit of her requirements must requirements must be fulfilled in the interests of both sexes, as this is the only price of their harmonious development. Thus expressed, we find some explanation of present-day phenomena, held by the many to have no remedy save the return of womanhood to her bondage. Man has gone on changing himself, but fiercely resents the consequent change in her who bears him company and is but a human being like

himself.

M. Finot has great hopes for that which the complete emancipation of woman will bring about, one of them being no less than the peace of nations itself. The right state of harmony between the sexes will mean a more complete state of harmony the world over, and who will dare to contradict the germ of

uth conveyed in this idea?

Amongst the mass of literature published in these ays on the eternal Feminine, this is a welcome addition. Thanks and congratulations are due to this gifted Frenchman for the forging of a weapon so suitable to wield on behalf of the sex struggling so bravely for its complete emancipation.

THE OLD. OLD STORY

Mr. Mackmurdo writes on Profit Sharing and on Electoral Reform.† He devotes a separate article to Female Suffrage, which, in his view, stands separate from electoral reform, as, according to him, electoral reform and the granting of political rights to women are adverse propositions. Hence he is eager to assure his readers that women are far better off without the year while it is apparent that he in value. t; his article on the subject might indeed be lescribed as platitudes touched with panic. Plati-udes, not arguments; for, as arguments, the bottom has been knocked out of the views he advances over and over again. He reiterates them because, he say, there are many men who believe female suffrage to be an unwise thing, but "frankly confess their inabilit to give good reason for this belief"; and he hopes that, after reading what he has to say, there may not be quite so many in this condition. We doubt it. Reiteration is, undeniably, an effective factor in advertisement; it has no influence upon the reasoning faculty. And that is the faculty that is called upon in considering this question. We would ask Mr. Mackmurdo to apply it, instead of floundering about in fallacies which have been constantly exploded. It would take up too much space to answer his questions and statements one by one, but he can find the answers to them in the earlier text-books written on

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ULSTER GIVES WOMEN VOTES

The decision of the Ulster Unionist Council to include women in the electorate for the "provisional Nationalist party of Ireland. The comparison does government for Ulster" is the most significant event | not, however, hold water, for in the present instance which has occurred in the votes for women agitation | it is not a question of giving to women a place in since the Speaker's ruling of January last and the an organisation agitating for reform, but of making subsequent abandonment by Mr. Asquith of any to them a specific promise (which we refuse to believe attempt to fulfil the pledges which he had given to could be broken) of actual franchise rights in the Other cities are being organised and particulars will be duly women. It marks a new departure in the political election of the Government itself. situation, and is fraught with important consequences , minimising the importance of the decision, that the for the future.

> are aware, is the body which, under the leadership of and will, in a very little while, either be broken up Sir Edward Carson, is offering the most strenuous by a hostile British Government, or merged in a opposition to the passage of the Irish Home Rule | friendly one. Those who urge this view miss the Bill, and which has announced its intention, in the essential point which is not that a comparatively small event of the Bill being carried, of defying its provisions, and of securing the election of a separate "provisional government for Ulster," which shall responsible Unionist leader, stand committed to manage the affairs of the province and "hold it in woman suffrage in a definite, practical, and concrete trust for the British nation."

Bill, we, in this paper, have nothing to do; nor are Mr. Redmond have put themselves and their parties woman suffrage societies which are comprised of women | cannot fail to have great influence upon the attitude FAMILY WORK OF THE FINEST KIND. the concern of ourselves, and of the suffrage societies, step in the right direction. For the Liberals it is is to insist that whatever form of government prevails | a grave warning that if they refuse to do their in any part of the British Isles women shall not be obvious and imperative duty, the day will come when debarred from taking their share in it solely on the it will be done by their opponents to the lasting if it is to be governed, as at present, by the Imperial | grievous injury of the Liberal party.

Articles and News contributed for insertion in THE WOMEN'S FREEDOM LEAGUE Parliament alone, then our claim will be met if ment; if it is to be governed, as provided for under the Home Rule Bill, partly by an Irish Parliament sitting in Dublin, and partly by the Imperial Parliament, then our claim is that for both these Parliaments women shall be included in the electorate; if Ulster is to be governed by an independent body elected in Ulster, then we claim that n that body also women must be represented

So far as the third alternative is concerned we have now a definite assurance that, if it eventuates at all, women will share equally with men. In a letter o the Ulster Women's Unionist Association, pubished in the Press on Friday last, the secretary of the Ulster Unionist Council wrote: "I am authorised to inform you that the draft articles of the provisional government for Ulster already approved of by this Council include the franchise for women on the basis f the register for local government purposes." That s to say that in the election of the proposed Ulster provisional government women would be entitled to the franchise on identical qualifications with men, for in Ireland (unlike the rest of the British Isles) there is no difference between the register for Parliamentary and local government purposes, except that women are excluded from the former and are included

It is possible that some women suffragists will not see at once the full significance of these declarations They may say to themselves in the first place that Ulster is, after all, only one province of one part of the United Kingdom, and that therefore the Government of Ulster partakes more of the nature of local government such as is carried on by an ordinary County Council (for which women are already electors) than of national government such as is carried on at Westminster. This view rests upon the fallacy of supposing that the difference between the government of a country and municipal administration is one of size, whereas in reality it is one of kind. The proposed provisional government of Ulster intends to collect taxes and perform other functions of a genuine government, and is not, therefore, to be regarded as in the nature of a County Council

Secondly, they may recall the fact that many organisations, in their early and struggling stages, welcome women into their ranks on honourable terms of equality, only to relegate them to obscure positions when the days of influence and prosperity arrive, and they may cite as an illustration the case of the

Finally, it may be pointed out, with a view to "provisional government of Ulster," even if it ever The Ulster Unionist Council, as most of our readers | comes into being at all, will only be temporary,

With the rights and wrongs of the Irish question | Sir Edward Carson and his Irish party have put as a whole, and the merits of the present Home Rule | themselves right with women, where Mr. Asquith and these matters the concern in any way of any of the definitely wrong. This is a significant fact which drawn from all political parties, meeting together of both the great parties in the future to the question upon the sole basis of the rights of women to exercise of the right of women to vote for the Imperial the parliamentary franchise. But what is essentially Parliament. For the Unionist party it is the first ground of sex. As to the particular case of Ireland, disgrace of Liberalism, and to the immediate and

THE PLIGHT OF THE VOTELESS MOTHER

By Emmeline Pethick Lawrence

inquire into the allegation of malingering (especially in the case of women) on the part of claimants for | this greatest of all health problems. the sickness benefit under the Insurance Act. We should have been glad to see the appointment upon that Committee of a woman doctor with wide hospital | Sir John Collie, "have lost sight of the necessity of experience, in addition to the two able women having ample data before right conclusions can be of children out of school hours illegal, have lengthalready included. The inquiry, if honestly and drawn. Before the passing of the National Insurance ened the duration and extent of her unremitting thoroughly carried out, will bring to light the Act there were thousands of women, many of them toil and intensified the chronic under-feeding which startling truth hitherto unrealised that the great | badly underpaid, constantly employed in the hard majority of women of the working class are in a grind of daily toil, who were wholly unfit, and the devitalised and chronically exhausted physical con- passing of the Act was their emancipation, because

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The proposed inquiry does not cover the whole inarticulate population. It touches only the fringe of it. Only four out of the eleven million of adult working women come under the operation of the Insurance Act. The great proportion of these four million workers are single women. The married women who labour in the home as wives and mothers are practically excluded from the scheme except in so far as the maternity benefit is concerned. Only those wives and mothers who are also industrial competitors in the labour market enter into the scope of the inquiry. And these are they who receive some remuneration, however pitiable, for their labour, possess some measure of economic independence. however meagre and impoverished their condition. and have some recognised claim upon the community in sickness. The investigation into their condition will serve as a rough index of the seriousness of the health problem as it affects married working women generally, but bad as their case will be found to be, the lot of millions of their married sisters is even

Unpaid Labour and Enforced Sacrifice

Many sweeping allegations have been brought against the social and economic system under which we live at the present day. But the worst charge of all has never yet been formulated. The whole structure of the modern community is built up upon the crushed bodies of the working wives and mothers of the people. Exhausted by under-feeding, condemned to never-ending drudgery-dissociated from its reward of economic freedom and self-respectpaying their toll to the community both in the sweat of their brow and in the anguish of their motherhood, they are the modern counterpart of the unrecognised and unnamed slave populations, whose unpaid labour and enforced sacrifice ministered to the pride and power of the older civilisations, such as Egypt

Of women who have given birth to even one child, an overwhelming majority would be found, upon investigation, to be suffering from painful and exhausting complaints due to neglect, overwork, and privation-serious and acute disablements which are taken for granted and accepted as a necessary part of the woman's burden, which are supposed to demand no radical medical treatment and careful nursing, and entitle her to no respite either from her heavy household tasks or from constantly recurrent

Year after year the working mother goes through her hard drudgery of daily toil, with pain and weariness which could be prevented, eating up her and sentiment is regarded as a machine out of which vitality and sapping her constitution, a tragic figure to whom none have given consideration or regard, till suddenly, as the result of a compulsory Insurance scheme, she emerges to the view of statesmen as an awkward problem, inconveniently upsetting their calculations and confounding their carefully arranged statistics.

The Hue and Cry of "Malingerer'

the hue and cry of "Malingerer!" These critics and thus makes her working life harder, yet leave would do well to pause and listen to the words of Sir her as ill-provided for as ever in sickness, invalidity

borne out by the testimony of all the women doctors | mother unaided in her almost superhuman task of who know by experience the extent and seriousness of rearing healthy citizens; and simply devised new "Those who thoughtlessly assert that malinger-

ing is rampant and mainly confined to women," says it would ultimately entail their drawing permanently on the sickness benefit fund." That statement as to problem, the ill-health of this politically ignored and the general physical unfitness and exhaustion of working women due to grinding toil, and, it may be in the legislature or any power to secure attention to added, persistent under-feeding (amounting very | their needs from the representatives of the ele often to semi-starvation), applies not only to those | social "progress" would not have meant, as it does married women who are industrially employed, but to-day, the grinding of the great mass of the womanalso to the majority of married women who are the | hood of the country between the upper and the nether wives of working men and the mothers of families.

A State Oblivious of Its Debt

important work for the State. To none of its ser- the words not of any woman Suffragist, but of a vants is the State so deeply in debt as to the mothers, working man. They were recently addressed to an who, at great cost to their health and comfort, keep audience of men representing two and a half millions, up the supply of new citizens. Yet of no debt is the and were accepted without dissent. This same State as at present constituted more entirely spokesman of working men further described the vote

For its soldiers, its sailors, its civil servants, and its politicians, the State provides salaries, honours, the hands of the State. pensions, and, when necessary, as in the case of soldiers and sailors on active service, hospitals and | midst, which includes the majority of mothers of the medical treatment. For its mothers the State provides nothing but the recent maternity benefit of of the "race body" and the "race soul" must never thirty shillings and the workhouse. It is content with a National Scheme of Sickness and Invalidity only uninsured class of the adult working population.

We affirm unhesitatingly that until the State pays salaries, honours, and pensions to mothers for performing the most important of all services to the community, it is bound by all considerations of right and just dealing to put medical treatment at their disposal and to provide assistance to them in sick ness. This is the very least that it can do, and ought to do, in recognition of its unpaid obligations to these its most important ministers

It is absurd to say that such a development of the Insurance scheme cannot be effected. The proposi tion has never been considered or discussed. Neithe has the fact received recognition that the health o no section of the community is so important to the nation as the health of its mothers, both with regard to the present and the future welfare of the people

Only the Mother who doesn't Count

But "the mother" has not yet been "discovered The attention of the nation has been concentrate upon the working man, who has his own method o winning consideration from his representatives i Parliament; and of recent years "the child " (blesse noun that covers most fortunately both sexes!) ha become a cult. It is only the mother who is of no account in the body politic, when it comes to a ques tion of remedial legislation. She is the one member of the human family who except in terms of poetry endless drudgery and many children can be ground -a machine not worth the cost of repair or replenish ment, to be thrown away when broken, upon the scrap heap

So far from devising any scheme for making the nation's account square with the mother's, the price of every new social reform is wrung from them though this fact has never been and is not at present generally recognised. The Insurance Act places a Thereupon the hasty generalisers are after her with tax upon the mother's food and the wife's labour, John Collie on this matter, words which would be or premature old age. The Children Act left the

nts and penalties for her. The Miners' Eight Hours' Act imposed indirectly new conditions of intolerable hardships and drudgery upon the together with the Act which makes the amploy s one of the causes of her devitalised condition

Between the Upper and the Nether Millstone

right in themselves should have been balanced by ameliorative and compensating measures affecting the condition of those who are called upon to pay most heavily for them. And if women had any voice

"Nothing I know of, after years of close observa tion, is so effective in creating public opinion as the The bearing of fit children is the woman's most fear which statesmen have of the vote." Those are as " the natural and only protection to man's inalienable rights" and "Aladdin's magic lamp" for securing all the demands of his sex and his class at

For the sake of the great broken population in our working class, women who are the natural guardians magic lamp." For the sake of those who replenish the life of the community at the cost of their own Insurance that leaves the mothers of the people the bodies, it is the solemn and imperative duty of women strenuously to oppose a Government that heaps burdens upon the bearers of the race while keeping them bound and gagged.

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Now comes the third service which, in the name of

the Fellowship, I ask of every man and woman, according to their power of rendering it.

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and work. Some large sums as well as many small can .- Yours in the Fellowship,

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The following are the particulars of the public meet Votes for Women Fellowship on Thursday evening October 16, at 8 p.m. The speakers will be Mrs. Pethick Lawrence (in the chair), the Bishop of Ken sington, Miss Evelyn Sharp, and Mr. Pethick

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By Denis E Howell

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One woman would like to burn me. "There's a man Suffragette! I never saw one before!" This made me wonder in what way I was different from other men.

The papers are selling very well, being bought by friends and people who seem as if they really want to know more about the Woman's Movement. Here is a pleasant-looking minister coming along, and I feel sure he will have a copy, so I offer him Votes

The A feeling rises within me, but I let it die. The same fate happens to three copies of the Suffragette. All these petty remarks and incidents only make me more determined to come and sell every week.

Simply by standing in the street and holding out the papers I made nearly every person say "Votes for Women"; and that is just what we want; only we want hundreds and thousands of people to shout "Votes for Women," not only with their voices, but with the heart and soul of them.

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COMPARISON OF PUNISHMENTS

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The Pall Mall Gazette (September 11) reports the case of John Littleton, charged before Wimbledon magistrates with shooting at his wife with a rifle. For the defence it was alleged that letters had been found written by the wife to a young man. The wife was admonished, and the Chairman said no jury would convict. Prisoner working, and nothing was known against was acquitted.

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The above comparison of punishments

The Price of Little Girls

The Oldham case (which is to be compared with the two similar cases at Bolton and Attercliffe, reported in our issue of September 5) provoked the following piece of satire, contained in a letter to the Editor of the Manchester Guardian, which appeared in that paper last Tuesday.

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appeared in that paper last Tuesday:

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Equally serious with the light sentences passed upon men who ruin little girls is the number of acquittals in such cases, which are rarely reported in the newspapers.

Unconvincing Acquittal of a Police Constable

An extremely unconvincing acquittal was that of a police-constable charged before the Common Serjeant at the Oll Balley on September II with crimially assaulting a girl of fourteen, daughter of the woman with whom he lodged. It was proved in cross-examination that the child's mother was absent from the balley on September II with crimially assaulting a girl of fourteen, daughter of the woman with whom he lodged. It was proved in cross-examination that the child's mother was absent from the house on the three days when the assaults were said to have been committed; the date of these was also supported by medical evidence. The defending counsel introduced hearsay evidence, which was not disallowed by the judge, nor did the judge stop a counter-accusation brought against the girl, which he afterwards admitted was a side issue. After the luncheon interval, the judge made the following extract from the Sember is some corroborative evidence in the first of the semble of the word of the semble of the supported by the judge, nor to do the judge and the following counsel, Mr. S. Harvey is probably better known interval, the judge made the following counsel, Mr. Bedvin, having said "No."

If do not see how you can ask the jury to convict this man. Although not a rule of law, it is a rule of practice, for judges not to convict in cases of this kind unless there is some corroborative evidence. I must ask you to fail the first of the seed of the search of t

Jealous Wife Sentenced

At the Clerkenwell Sessions last week, before Mr. Robert Wallace, K.C., Gilbert Webb was charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm on his wife. She was so terrified that she jumped out of the window. Prisoner was acquitted.

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Sir.—It seems to me that the price of little girls is being put up with unfair suddenness. I see that a poor young man has been charged £3 each for an assault on little girls. The usual price is 30s., or perhaps a month in prison, and the poor fellow would not expect to pay such a savage fine. Who knows if he can afford it or not? It may be quite a long time before he can afford another £3.

Mr. Dixon, the chairman of the Bench, must have an undue notion of the importance of little girls. He is confusing them with property. We have the word of another magistrate that this sort of crime may be committed by the best of men without its leaving a stain on his character. Why, then, come down on this poor man so severely?—Yours, &c.,

HIDA C. ADSHEAD.

Convenient Acquittals

Equally serious with the light sentences passed upon men who ruin little girls is is larged and a cocasion to comment on the greater severity shown to mothers than to fathers in cases of cruelty or neglect of children, although the law does not admit that the married mother is the word of a system for a large to find a Bench of magistrates at last insisting on equal treatment for man and his wife were brought up and remanded on a charge of the manslanghter of their child, four months old, through starvation and nad neglect. The report in the Manacter Guardian adds:

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FOLLOWERS OF HAMPDEN

widespread, and many protest meetings are being held.

On Saturday last a successful demon-

MISS SARGANT AS TAX RESISTER

A SCOTTISH TAX RESISTER

On Tuesday in last week Dr. Grace Cadell, of 145, Leith Walk, Leith, was charged under the Revenue Act in the Midlothian Justice of the Peace Court. The Clerk of Court read a letter from Dr. Cadell, dated from London, stating that

and lived in a refused to do so. She was fined £3 3s. or indeed, this is a the present he made a record which continued the he had to a court, on the same day, charges were brought against her for non-payment of the National Insurance Tax on behalf of her cook, nurse, parlourmaid, and coachman. Dr. Cadell was not present, and the case was adjourned till September 26,

VOTES FOR DUTCH WOMEN

Tuesday the Speech from the Throne stated that a Bill for revising the Constitution in such a way as to extend the franchise to all adult men (with certain exceptions), and to remove the constitutional obstacles against the granting of the suffrage to women, would be prepared without delay. Although this means that woman suffrage has for the first time been actually mentioned in the Queen's Speech, it must not be interpreted as a definite Government pledge to give the women of Holland the vote. To remove the present constitutional obstacles against the enfranchisement of women is merely to pave the way for the inclusion in the Government Bill of a clause giving votes to women, a clause that may or may not be ultimately included. In fact, we gather that the Dutch Suffragists, supposing the obstacles be removed, will then be in much the same position as Suffragists in England would have been had Sir Edward Grev's amendment to delete the word "male" from the Reform Bill of 1913 been put to the vote form Bill of 1913 been put to the vote

MUNICIPAL VOTES FOR ITALIAN WOMEN

in the home of the working-class widow was raised in the Hull Revision Court on September 10, when eighteen claims were submitted by the Conservative agent, by which it was sought to substitute on the lists the son for the mother where the latter had formerly been the rate-paying tenant. In advocating the change, the Conservative agent said that as the son was responsible for the upkeep of the home, it was suggested that the mother should sacrifice her rights as tenant, in order that he should get his vote.

In answer to this, some interesting remarks were made. The Assistant Overseer said it was the experience of his de-

At Newcastle, the Revising Barrister said suddenly: "Across this claim is written 'Votes for Women!' I cannot allow it!" So, comments the Evening Mail, "amid the smiles of the various political agents, the claim of this daring

CHURCHMEN'S PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Parliament reassembles:

"To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled:

"The humble Petition of the undersigned Bishops and Clergy of the Churches of England and Ireland and of the Scattick Engage of Churches and Churches of England and Ireland and of

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prived of valuable forces which, if experience elsewhere may guide our judgment, would operate in favour of muclineeded moral and social reform.

"3. That all political parties repeatedly assert large measures of reform to be long overdue; and that it would be disastrous to commence such reforms without giving to women a voice in concerns about which they have admittedly expert knowledge.

THE TRADE UNION RESOLUTION

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Fortunately, J. Battle, who, by the way, had previously acknowledged himself a Liberal, did the women's cause good service—by again opposing it. "Women have not the brain capacity of men," he announced. The Congress was so impressed that it accepted the resolution with only six dissentients! All the Labour forces are thus ranged on the side of woman suffrage, not merely theoretically, but as an issue of practical politics in relation to other electoral reforms. The I.L.P. has declared its opposition to all Franchise Bills and Registration Bills alike which overlook the citizenship rights of women. The

order that he should get his vote.

In answer to this, some interesting remarks were made. The Assistant Overseer said it was the experience of his department that it was generally the mothers who kept the sons, and not the sons who kept the mothers, in this class of tenants. The mothers, in this class of tenants. The mothers, in this class of tenants. The mothers said: "I cannot understand anybody wanting to pay rates, but I can understand anybody wanting to pay rates, but I can understand anybody wanting to pay rates, but I can understand anybody wanting political power." He also said emphatically that he must be assured that these women knew what rights they were giving up, because "nowadays women were very jealous over their rights." He finally refused to allow the claims until he had met the women and heard what they had to say. Voter (Melbourne).

Churches of England and Ireland and of the Scottish Episcopal Church sheweth:

"1. That the refusal to women in a democratic country of any share in the Parliamentary Franchise is fundamentally unjust; strangely anomalous in view of the public duties which they have been rightly encouraged to undertake and which they admirably fill; and calculated to obscure the spiritual equality of the sexes which is an essential tenet of the Christian Faith.

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Miss Anuie Bell*	(1) April 23	21 days	 Holloway
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"	(3) Sept. 15	2 months' h.l.	 "
Mr. Donald McEwan	May 19	9 months	Calton Gaol, Edinburgh
Miss Lake"	June 17	6 months	 Warwick
Mr. John Manders .	Aug. 11	2 months' h.l.	 Pentonville
Mrs. Harvey	Sept. 1	2 months	 Hofloway
Miss Casey			
	* Re-arrested und		

IN THE COURTS

Saturday, September 13.—At Bradford, charged with firing the contents of a letter-box, Mrs. Holton and Miss Casey; remanded till to-day (Friday), Mrs. Holton allowed bail.

Monday, September 15.—At Bow Street Police Court, charged with throwing a hammer through a Home Office window, Miss Annie Bell, two months' hard labour.

REVOLUTIONARY ACTIONS The following incidents have been attri-uted in the Press to Suffrag sts during

Bowling green of South Croydon Club

Friday, September 12.—Contents of three pillar-boxes destroyed at Bradford, considerable damage; two arrests. Workmen's tools removed from new house at Woldingham.

Saturday, September 13.-Kenton Rail-

Attempt to fire Pershurst Place, Ton-bridge, seat of Lord De L'Isle.

MRS. PANKHURST

Government her full police-court record. Some officials of the immigration service believe that she could be deported as an Anarchist. She will be questioned as to her views concerning orderly and civilised government."

The New York View

The newspapers in the United States do not seem to attach much importance to the rumour of detention. The New York Times does not expect the Federal authorities to interfere, though it fears that the precedent of allowing Mrs. Pankhurst to land may make it difficult in the future to keep out some really dangerous criminal. The Sun says frankly: "While the immigration authorities undoubtedly have a right to refuse her admission to

The British View

NEW CONSTITUTIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

SEPTEMBER 19, 1913.

8. Park Mansions Arcade, Knightsbridge President: Mrs. Cecil Chapman

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A very large and enthusiastic meeting, addressed by Mrs. Kerr and Miss McGowan, was held in Hyde Park last Sunday. At the close of the meeting, many amongst the audience, including a clergyman, gathered round the platform, eager to testify their sympathy with the cause. A number of both ladies and gentlemen asked for membership cards, expressing, their desire to join the Society. And here we again appeal to London members and friends of the N.C.S. to come to these Sunday meetings in order to distribute membership cards and take down the names and addresses of sympathisers. the names and addresses of sympathisers. Week after week, for many morths, the seed has been, and is still being, sown. There is now a plentiful harvest; who will help to gather it?

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kind is very badly needed—canvassing,
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FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, September 18.—Whitechapel,
New Road, 8 p.m. Mrs. Merivale
Mayer, Miss Simeon.
Friday, September 19.—Whitechapel, Fulbourne Street, 8 p.m. Mrs. Kerr,
Miss McGowan.
Sunday, September 21.—Hyde Park, noon.
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onday, September 22.—Whitechapel, Mansell Street, 8 p.m. Mrs. Meri-vale Mayer, Miss Goddard.

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Tuesday, September 23.—Whitechapel,
Jubilee Street, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, September 24.—Whitechapel,
Mile End Waste, 8 p.m.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, MASS
MEETING, TOWER HILL.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

The Northern Men's Federation is making considerable headway among the electors of the North, who are being asked to join the Federation and to help in the work of opposing Government candidates in the constituencies. In Edinburgh large open-air meetings have been held, and are being held, in the Meadows. These open-air meetings will lead up to the mass meeting to be held in the Synod Hall on November 14, which in its turn is to lead up to the Convention to be

meeting, many prominent citizens of weight and standing sent in their names as members, and their promises to work by every means available, and to use their votes as weapons against this or any other Government whose leader will not make women's suffrage a plank on the Party platform. As their energetic organiser, Mrs. Araclife-Sennett, puts it:
"It is pretty certain that the time is near when no platform without the near when no platform without this measure as a plank will be safe to stand

A "FELLOWSHIP" MEETING

Mr. Laurence Housman made a fine speech at a drawing-room meeting held on September 2 at Heathfield, Ilkley, in connection with the Votes for Women Fellowship. He spoke especially on the persecution that is always visited upon the reformer, and on women's freedom as the only sure means of fighting the social evil. Miss M. E. Thompson, who took the chair, explained the scope and meaning of the Fellowship, and eight new Fellows were

PROPAGANDA AT THE PLAY

An interruption was caused by a Suffragist during the performance of Mr. Bernard Shaw's play, "Androcles and the Lion," at St. James's Theatre last Saturday night. At the moment when the Captain of the Guard says to the leading Christian: "Any person who perishes in the arena is not a martyr, but is committing suicide," a woman in the front row of the dress circle rose and exclaimed: "That is what McKenna says about Suffragists." From many parts of the house came remarks about Mr. McKenna, and others exhorting silence. After a brief others exhorting silence. After a brief pause the play proceeded.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE TAKING NO CHANCES!

According to the Leicester Daily Post an extra police guard has been placed on Buckingham Palace, where extensive alterations are now being made. "Rammours of Suffragette designs on the Palace," it says, "have been in circulation since the work began. Probably there is nothing whatever behind them, but the police are taking no risks, and the most elaborate precautions have been taken. Palacemen are stationed at every gate of the Palace night and day, and no one is allowed to pass without a special permit.

WHO SUPPORTS THE CHILDREN?

THE NORTHERN MEN'S FEDERATION FOR

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and Mr. Henry Harben will speak in the Middlesbrough Town Hall on October 7 at 7.45 p.m., under the auspices of the Women's Free dom League. Chair: Mrs. Despard. Tickets: 2s., 1s., and 6d. Free seats.

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Northern Men's Federation for Women's Suffrage, 6, Wellington Road, St. John's Wood, N.W.

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Scottish Churches League for Woman Suffrage, 11, Howe Street, Edinburgh.

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