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EASTERN COUNTIES FEDERATION.

RULES.

1. NAME.—The name of the Federation shall be the EASTERN COUNTIES FEDERATION of the N.U.W.S.S.

2. AREA.—The area of the Federation shall include the counties of Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Suffolk, Huntingdonshire, Essex (except the Parliamentary divisions of Romford and Walthamstow), Hertfordshire (except the Parliamentary division of W. Herts.), and the Spalding division of Lincolnshire, together with the borough of Boston.

3. OBJECT.—The object of the Federation is:—

- To promote the formation of new Societies in its area.
- To perfect existing organisation.
- To arrange joint meetings, and generally to secure co-operation among Societies in its area.

4. COMMITTEE.—The Committee shall consist of members of the Executive Committee of the N.U.W.S.S. and of representatives of all Women's Suffrage Societies contained within the Federation area and affiliated to the N.U.W.S.S.

- Every member of the Executive Committee of the N.U.W.S.S. who belongs to any Society within the Federation shall be *ex officio* a member of the Federation Committee.
- The representative members shall be chosen by the Societies within the Federation on the following basis:— Societies with from 20—100 members shall be entitled to one representative. Societies with from 100—200 members shall be entitled to two representatives. Societies with over 200 members shall be entitled to three representatives.
- Representative members shall be appointed for one year. If a representative is prevented from attending a meeting, the Committee of the Society she represents may choose a proxy to attend the meeting, the name of the proxy being sent to the Hon. Sec. of the Federation beforehand.

- (d) The Committee shall appoint Chairman, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurer, and such other officers as may be required. All officers to be *ex officio* members of Committee.

5. MEETINGS.—The ordinary meeting of the Committee shall be held three times a year, in the October, January and April quarters. Unless special circumstances arise, these meetings shall be held in Cambridge.

Extraordinary meetings may be summoned at the discretion of the officers, or at the request of the representatives of any three Societies.

6. FINANCIAL.

- (a) Each Society shall be responsible to the Federation for a certain sum per annum, the amount to be agreed upon by the Society in consultation with the Federation Treasurer.
- (b) The financial year shall begin on January 1st.
- (c) The accounts of the Federation shall be audited annually by an auditor appointed by the Committee.

7. MEMBERS.—Any persons wishing to join the N.U.W.S.S. and not being within reach of a branch, may be enrolled as Federation members, with a minimum annual subscription of 1/-.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EASTERN COUNTIES FEDERATION.

January 1st to December 31st, 1912.

During the past year it has become increasingly clear that there is a real demand for Women's Suffrage in the Eastern Counties, and this demand becomes deeper and more insistent as ignorance and misunderstanding on the subject are removed. The Federation has made a special effort to do educational work in country districts, and has met with considerable success; the only discouraging element has been the fact that in many cases the enlightenment of Members of Parliament has not kept pace with that of their constituents.

NEW SOCIETIES.

The number of Societies grew during the year from 19 to 41, but this total has been reduced recently to 32, by the transference of the county of Bedfordshire, with 5 branches, to the Oxford, Bucks., and Berks. Federation; by the unfortunate disorganisation of the branches at Dunmow and Wisbech, owing to the illness or removal of the Secretaries; and by the fact that the organisations at Spalding and Stowmarket are not yet complete. New Societies were formed at the following places:—Aldeburgh, Boston, E. Cambs., W. Cambs., Cromer, Fakenham, Felixstowe, Harwich, Hunstanton, St. Albans, Sheringham, Southend, Spalding, Thetford, and Yarmouth. The following Societies already in existence joined the Federation:—Cambridge University Women's (Newnham and Girton), King's Lynn, Lowestoft, Luton, March. The Bury and Stowmarket branch divided into two Societies.

COAST CAMPAIGN AND VAN TOUR.

Fresh ground was broken in the summer by two special pieces of work undertaken by the Federation, with financial help from the National Union. During the Coast Campaign the following places were visited:—Cromer, Clacton, Walton-on-the-Naze, Frinton, Kirby Cross, Harwich, Southwold, Lowestoft, Yarmouth, and

Sheringham. The campaign owed its success almost entirely to voluntary workers, and our special thanks are due to Mrs. Machin, Miss A. Villiers, Miss B. Morrison, Miss E. L. Willis, and other members of the Norwich Society. We have now 9 Societies on the coast.

The National Union van was hired for the month of August, and had an interesting and successful tour in N. Norfolk, in spite of almost continuous bad weather. The helpers camped at the following places: Cawston, Reepham, Foulsham, Hindolvestone, Briningham, Holt, Cley, Stiffkey, Wells, and Walsingham. At all these places meetings were held and members enlisted, and many other villages were visited on bicycles. Owing to bye-elections, we were not able to have a N.U. organiser until the middle of the month, and our warmest thanks are offered to the voluntary helpers: Misses Usher, Wright, Eckhard, Ord, Eustace Smith, and Willis, as well as to the N.U. cook-coachman, Miss Collum. After the first fortnight, the N.U. were able to send Miss Misick, Miss Clarkson, and Mrs. Streeter in succession to take charge of the tour. The distribution of literature was a great part of the work, and at almost every village the workers met with great kindness and appreciation.

ORGANISERS.

The continuity of work during the year has been much interrupted owing to our inability to raise enough money to pay the salary of an organiser, and we have had no less than nine different N.U. organisers working in the Federation at different times, apart from those specially sent for bye-election work. In July, however, we were able to appoint Miss Creak as Organising Secretary, and this appointment will, we feel sure, be of the utmost benefit to the work of the Federation.

Besides the voluntary helpers mentioned in connection with the Coast Campaign and Van Tour, we owe much to Miss Reeve, who worked in Mid-Norfolk in the midst of floods; to Miss Sugden, and to Miss Reckitt.

BUSINESS MEETINGS.

The Federation Committee has met three times during the year, once at Norwich and twice at Cambridge. It

has not yet been possible to secure full representation of all the Societies at these meetings. It is doubly unfortunate that Societies should not be represented at Committee meetings, since it is impossible to carry out a system of co-operation without representation, and there is a tendency on the part of some branches to regard the Federation as a thing apart, whereas, of course, it is simply the Societies themselves. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, and the strength of the Federation depends on the goodwill and loyalty of the smallest Society.

In addition to Committee meetings, a Conference was held at Cambridge on July 23rd, in order to discuss organisation in general, and Parliamentary work in particular, with Miss Courtney, the Hon. Secretary of the National Union.

The Provincial Council was held this year for the first time within the Federation area. The Ipswich Society very kindly consented to have it, at short notice, and made excellent arrangements for both meetings and hospitality.

MEETINGS have been held in at least 134 different places in the Federation area within the year, and in some towns a large number have been organised. Norwich, for instance, held no less than 146 indoor meetings alone. Lady Frances Balfour, accompanied by Miss Eva Ward, gave two days to a Federation Tour, and spoke at Felixstowe, Harwich, Thetford, and St. Ives. Miss Helen Fraser, too, spoke at Biggleswade, St. Ives and Cambridge. We hope to arrange more such tours in 1913, as securing well-known speakers is one of the chief difficulties of smaller branches. We would draw attention to the Speakers' List on p. 36, which has been considerably enlarged since our last Report, and urge Societies to make more use of it. To those speakers on our list for 1912 who have fulfilled so many claims on them in different parts of the Federation area, our heartiest thanks are offered.

FEDERATION MEMBERS have increased in number, and during 1913 we shall hope to consolidate the different groups into small Societies, which might well be formed in the Sudbury division of Suffolk, in N. Norfolk, in the Dengie Hundred (Essex), and in Mid-

Norfolk. There now remain 6 Parliamentary divisions in our area in which no branch of the National Union exists, and though this number is small compared with the 18 of our last Report, yet we cannot rest until we have eliminated it altogether.

ACTIVITIES OF SOCIETIES.

The following Societies are working the "Friends of Suffrage" scheme: Cambridge, E. Cambs., W. Cambs., Colchester, East Herts., Hitchin, Hockwold, Ipswich, Letchworth. We trust that many more will engage in this valuable work during 1913. Among other useful pieces of work undertaken by Societies we would draw attention to a series of village meetings, Café Meetings and Speakers' Classes organised by Cambridge; to the admirable series of lectures on various topics of public interest with which women are specially concerned, arranged by Hitchin and District; to a series of meetings for women engaged in special occupations, e.g., teachers, nurses, domestic servants, etc., arranged by Norwich, and we would commend their enterprise to Societies which still have scope for further activity. Other Societies have undertaken American teas, blouse sales, cake and candy sales, sales for housewives, jumble sales, lace sales, lantern lectures, plum pudding sales, self-denial weeks, whist drives, White Elephant Fairs, etc., and particulars of the organisation of any of these ways for raising funds may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

PARLIAMENTARY.

We cannot help regarding it as unfortunate that we have been obliged to spend so much time, energy, and money on bringing pressure to bear on Members of Parliament with so little apparent result. On March 28th, 15 M.P.s voted or paired for the Conciliation Bill, 20 voted or paired against, and 6 abstained (see list on p. 35). The following lists are instructive:

Voted or paired in favour 1911, and against 1912—

A. Paget (U.), Cambridge.
A. W. Black (L.), N. Beds.

Voted or paired in favour 1911, and abstained 1912—

H. Ingleby (U.), King's Lynn.
Rev. C. S. Horne (L.), Ipswich.
W. L. Boyle (U.), Mid-Norfolk.

Abstained in 1911 and voted or paired against 1912—

Sir F. Low (L.), Norwich.
A. C. Beck (L.), N. Essex.
Col. Lockwood (U.), W. Essex.
J. Cator (U.), S. Hunts.
R. Winfrey (L.), S.W. Norfolk.
F. Goldsmith (U.), N.W. Suffolk.
Sir J. Larmor (U.), Cam. Univ.

Most of these gentlemen professed to vote as they did as a protest against militant tactics, though it was clearly pointed out to them that they were playing into the hands of the militants by destroying a bill backed solely by constitutional Suffragists.

The Committee on Oct. 22nd passed an urgent resolution begging Members of Parliament for constituencies in the Eastern Counties to vote in support of Mr. Philip Snowden's amendment to the Home Rule Bill.

Copies of this resolution were sent to all the Party Whips, and to all Party Agents and M.P.'s within the Federation area.

[Since the above was written, the Federation Committee has met again and expressed the strongest indignation at the failure of the Government to redeem its pledge that the Reform Bill should be so drafted as to be capable of amendments to include women.]

MEMORIALS.

Miss Thompson, organiser of the West Lancs., West Cheshire, and N. Wales Federation, whose success in memorial work has been so marked, was engaged for two of our divisions, S.E. Essex and S. Beds. In both cases she organised very influential memorials, which effectually showed that both the Hon. Rupert Guinness (U.), and Mr. Cecil Harmsworth (L.), were mistaken in declaring that there was no demand for the suffrage

among their constituents. Widely signed memorials have also been addressed to the following M.P.'s:

Sir E. Beauchamp,
 Sir E. H. Carlile,
 Mr. J. Cator,
 Mr. A. Fell,
 Mr. O. Locker Lampson,
 Hon. F. W. S. MacLaren,
 Mr. A. Paget (over 300 signatures of voters),
 Capt. Peel,
 Sir R. J. Price,
 Hon. Neil Primrose,
 Sir W. E. C. Quilter,
 Sir Charles Rose.

DEPUTATIONS.

During the year deputations have waited on the following M.P.'s: Sir E. Beauchamp, Mr. Cecil Beck, Mr. Noel Buxton, Mr. Fell, Hon. W. Guinness, Hon. R. Guinness, Mr. Cecil Harmsworth, Mr. Kellaway, Mr. Locker Lampson, Col. Lockwood, Sir F. Low, Mr. Newton, Mr. Paget, Capt. Peel, Sir R. J. Price, Hon. Neil Primrose, Mr. Rawlinson (Cambridge Univ. Men's League), Mr. Roberts, Mr. Worthington-Evans.

Half-a-dozen M.P.s refused for various reasons to see deputations, and the remaining Members have all been approached either personally or by letter or post cards, with urgent requests to support Women's Suffrage.

BYE-ELECTION.

The bye-election in N.W. Norfolk in May was organised by the National Union, and much useful work was done in connection with it. It resulted in the return of Mr. Hemmerde (L.), who has promised to give his best support to our cause in Parliament.

PRESS WORK.

During the year Miss Fanny Johnson was obliged on grounds of health to resign the post of Press Secretary, and it was felt that, as no successor could be found, the time had come to re-organise the Press work of the Federation. There are nearly 150 newspapers published within our area, and this is, of course,

far too large a number for one person to be responsible for, even after deducting those with which local Societies are in touch. We are now trying to appoint a Press Secretary for each county, and hope to have the new scheme in working order early in the new year.

Meanwhile, we are able to report that the following newspapers are willing to insert Suffrage news and give good reports of meetings:—

“Cambridge Daily News,” “Cambridge Independent Press,” “Citizen” (Letchworth), “East Anglian Daily Times,” “Eastern Daily Press,” “Essex County Chronicle, Herald and Newsmen,” “Essex County Standard,” “Essex Weekly News and Independent,” “Herts. Express,” “Herts. Mercury,” “Hunts. County News,” “Hunts. Post,” “Lowestoft Journal,” “Lowestoft Weekly Press,” “North Herts. Mail,” “St. Neots Advertiser,” “Southend Standard,” “Southend and Westcliff Graphic,” “Yarmouth Mercury.”

In most cases, Suffrage news is more willingly accepted if it has a local flavour, and personal paragraphs, with portraits of speakers, are usually preferred to columns of reasoned arguments. This is, of course, natural, and we would urge Societies to lose no opportunity of making public whatever work they do, and whatever progress they are able to record.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1912.

On January 1st, 1912, the Federation had a cash balance of £60 5s. 4d. Our total income during the year has amounted to £311 14s. We have spent £341 19s. 2d. as against £125 7s. 5d. last year, and reduced our balance at the Bank to half the sum with which we began the year, viz., to £30 0s. 2d.

£6 19s. 6d. of our expenditure this year was incurred during 1911. Our outstanding liabilities on January 1st, 1913, amounted to £17 5s. 6d.

The note of the year has been growth. The number of the Societies has increased from 19 in January, 1912, to 32 in January, 1913. Our income has more than doubled, and our expenditure has kept pace. We have paid £224 3s. 2d. to Organisers as against £108 9s. 6d. in 1911; we have doubled our expenditure on Secretarial and Office expenses, and more than doubled our payments for literature. We have financed public meetings,

and a van tour for purposes of propaganda, and during the year we have undertaken the responsibility of maintaining an Organising Secretary for the Federation.

The lists which follow this Report make it clear that it is the generosity of a few both among Societies and individuals that has made this growth and activity possible. The name of Mrs. Rackham, our Chairman, should be mentioned with gratitude in this connection.

Progress can only be maintained if a far greater number realise the responsibilities resting upon the Federation of which they are members.

A Finance Sub-Committee was formed in January, 1912. This Committee issued three special appeals during the year:—

- (a) An appeal to men bringing in £25 13s. 6d.
- (b) An appeal for a million farthings, bringing in to date £5 2s. 4d.
- (c) An appeal to the Societies to organise sales and entertainments; this brought in £38 17s. 9d.

At the Committee meeting held in October, in Cambridge, it was decided to remit all Federation fees for the future. Apparently these fees had been an obstacle to the realisation by some Societies of their share in the financial responsibilities of the Federation. These Societies did not understand that any further obligation rested upon them after the fees had been paid. The removal of this misunderstanding will, we hope, result in a larger income for the Federation.

It should be noted that certain expenses which should properly have been borne by the Federation were paid by individuals, and to these we offer our heartiest thanks. We would also add our thanks to Mrs. Rackham for the cyclostyle, and to Mr. Kellett for the typewriter, which have been lent to the Federation since its beginning, and which have saved much expense.

It is unfortunate that a two-fold change of Treasurership should have coincided with a year of such rapid growth. To this (in my judgment) may be attributed a certain lack of co-ordination between the financial and the executive side of the work of the Federation. The need for the coming year seems to me

to be the consolidation and strengthening of our existing Societies, and a greater measure of co-operation between us all. Our scheme of work and of expenditure should keep these ends in view.

MARGUERITE HAZARD,
Hon. Treasurer.

Since writing the above report, I should like to place on record that a very kind donation of £10 10s. 0d. has just been made to the Federation by the Rt. Hon. and Mrs. James Stuart, through the Norwich Society.
January 24, 1913.

REPORTS OF SOCIETIES.

ALDEBURGH.

President: MRS. GARRETT.

Hon. Secretary (pro. tem.): MRS. SHARP, Whitebays, Aldeburgh.

Hon. Treasurer: Miss PETTIT.

Membership 50.

The Society was formed in January, 1912. Three meetings were held in the early part of the year, at which the chief speakers were Mrs. Merivale Meyer and Mr. Malcolm Mitchell.

BOSTON.

Hon. Secretary: Miss CHEAVIN, Sydney House, Boston.

Membership, 20.

This Society was formed by Miss Coyle in the autumn, and a Public Meeting was held on Nov. 11, 1912.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.

President: MRS. HERVEY.

Hon. Secretary: MRS. C. SALMON.

Hon. Press Secretary: MRS. TRACY.

Since the separation of the Bury and Stowmarket groups of members, the Bury membership is 29.

In May last a well-attended meeting was held at the Athæneum, at which Lady Frances Balfour and Miss Eva Ward spoke. On Nov. 2nd an influential deputation interviewed our Member, Mr. Walter Guinness, M.P., and urged him not to vote against the Snowden Amendment to the Home Rule Bill, even if he would not vote for it. He said he was opposed to Woman Suffrage, but if he was convinced that the majority of women wanted it, he would have no right to refuse it them. He quoted figures as to municipal voting by women in a poor East End district he once sat for, but when the figures of the last Municipal Election in London were quoted to him, he declared that figures were invariably misleading.

The local Press refuses to take any Suffrage news other than purely local and personal matter.

CAMBRIDGE.

President: MRS. HEITLAND, Wordsworth Grove.

Hon Treasurer: MRS. ROTHAM, 4, Huntingdon Road.

Hon. Secretary: MRS. J. WARD, 6, Selwyn Gardens.

Membership, 483.

The year 1912 has been one of exceptional activity on the part of our Society, propaganda work of many kinds having been vigorously carried on both in the Borough and County. As a result of work in the County two new Societies, "East Cambridgeshire" and "West Cambridgeshire" have recently been formed; to assist in their formation the good services of Miss Bagenal, as Organiser, were engaged by the Association for three weeks. Even outside the County, in Norfolk, Huntingdonshire, and Suffolk, missionary work has been undertaken. At the same time, considerable contributions to the funds of the E.C. Federation have been directly made.

During the year the Committee, consisting of twenty members, has met twenty-two times; and three General Meetings of members of the Association have been held. On one occasion, Miss O'Malley gave an address upon the Friends of Women's Suffrage scheme, and it is now being actively promoted in Cambridge; we have fifteen Visitors and over 300 Friends.

On Oct. 22 a large and very successful meeting was held in the Guildhall to consider especially the Moral and Social Aspects of Women's Suffrage. The Rev. the Master of Selwyn took the chair; the speakers were the Very Rev. the Dean of Worcester, Mrs. Osler, the Rev. R. H. Strachan, Professor Bethune-Baker, Professor Sims Woodhead, and Mrs. Rackham.

Early in the year various Sub-Committees were formed for special departments of work, such as the distribution of literature in public places and at the entrances of Halls, etc., where meetings of various kinds were being held, the establishment of a "Pass-it-on" library, the formation of a Speakers' Class, the arrangement of Private Drawing-room and Garden Meetings and At Homes; and, in particular, the organisation of Open-air and other Public Meetings in the

town and county. This Meetings Sub-Committee has done an extraordinary amount of useful work. During April, May and June four evening At Homes were held in the Oriental Café, addresses, followed by discussion, being given on such subjects as Votes and Wages, the Social Evil, Local Government. During the Long Vacation five Open-air Meetings were held in the Market Place; these were attended by orderly crowds of from 300 to 500 men and women. During the visit to Cambridge in August and September of the Extension Students four afternoon At Homes were held in the Downing Street Assembly Room, especially for them; tea was provided, various addresses were given, and much literature distributed and sold.

In the County many meetings were held: at Newmarket, Burwell, Waterbeach, Melbourn, Swavesey, Stretham, Hartingfield, Foxton, Harston, Little Shelford, Abingdon, Linton, Duxford, Icleton, Soham, Cherryhinton, Fen Ditton, and Sawston.

In addition to meetings organised solely by the Association, conferences and discussions have been promoted in connection with various Clubs and Societies, political or other: notably, one on Nov. 29th in the Co-operative Hall, with the local branches of the I.L.P., and the Fabians, Mrs. Annot Robinson being asked by us to speak.

Other important work has been the organisation of a Deputation to the Borough M.P., Mr. A. Paget, on Feb. 16th, and of a Voters' Memorial to him re the Franchise Bill, in December. Some pressure was also brought to bear on the Representatives of the University, Mr. Rawlinson and Sir Joseph Larmor; and from time to time correspondence has been carried on with the more friendly Representatives, Sir Charles Rose and the Hon. E. S. Montagu, the immediate interests of women in connection with various Parliamentary events being pressed upon their notice.

Much useful propaganda has also been carried on through the medium of the local papers, Miss F. Johnson ably conducting the work as Local Press Secretary

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S SOCIETY.
(NEWNHAM COLLEGE BRANCH).

Jan.-May—Pres.: E. V. ECKHARD. June-Dec.—E. ORD.

Hon. Sec.: E. ORD.

M. CURWEN.

Hon. Treas.: G. DYER.

E. M. WRIGHT.

Membership, 133.

We can look back upon a satisfactory year. The number of members shows an increase on last year's total, and we hope before long to enrol the whole College en masse. Much keenness was shown during "Self-Denial Week," held from Jan. 28—Feb. 3, which has become a regular feature of the Lent Term. The motto for this week is "All for Money, nothing for Love," and so well was it put into practice that £11 18s. 9½d. was sent up for the Monster Collection at the Albert Hall Meeting. The Society as a whole cannot do much outside work in term time, but many members do work in the vacations. Two members helped to canvass Waterbeach for the Cambridge Society in June, four helped with the E.C.F. van tour in Norfolk in July, and we are always glad to help as stewards when meetings are held in Cambridge.

The following meetings were held in the course of the year:—

A Joint Meeting with the Men's League and Girton Branch, on Jan. 13th, in the Lesser Guildhall. Address by Mrs. Fawcett.

A Meeting in College, on May 3rd. Address by Miss I. O. Ford on the Labour Party Policy.

The Annual Meeting for the election of Officers, on May 22nd.

A Meeting principally to convert Freshers, on Nov. 1st. Address by Lady Frances Balfour.

A meeting addressed by Mrs. Annot Robinson on the new Policy, on Nov. 28th.

E. ORD.

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

Hon. Secretary: Miss COLSON.

Membership, 51.

After several preliminary meetings in East Cambridgeshire, a Society was formed and affiliated to the National Union on October 31st, 1912. Meetings were

held last term at Sawston, Chesterford, Cherryhinton, Soham, Burwell, Icleton, and friends and members were obtained at all these places.

WEST CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

Hon. Secretary: Miss N. M. GRAY.
Membership, 54.

This Society was formed in August. Thirteen Meetings have been held in various villages in West Cambs.

Six people have given donations, and two grants of £1 have been made by the Cambridge Society.

The "Friends" scheme is being worked in several of the villages.

CHELMSFORD AND DISTRICT.

President: LADY RAYLEIGH.
Vice-Presidents: Rev. CANON LAKE, Rev. T. M. MUNDLE,
Rev. C. EDMUNDS, Mr. AYLMER MAUDE.
Hon. Secretary: Miss R. CHRISTY, Orchards, Chelmsford.
Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. SHEERS, Tower Avenue, Chelmsford.
Membership, 68.

The past year has been a strenuous one for Suffrage Societies, and in our small circle we have done our best to keep up with the rapid strides our cause has made. Seven Committee Meetings have been held, and very successful Drawing-room Meetings were given by the following ladies—Mrs. Hickley, Speaker, Miss Vaughan; Mrs. Poole, Speaker, Miss Bancroft; Mrs. Russell and Miss Murch, Speaker Miss Tabor. Mrs. Maude also gave a Garden Meeting, at which Mr. Aylmer Maude presided, and Miss Mirsby gave a most interesting address.

Our largest meeting of the year was the 'At Home' given by the generosity of Mrs. Hatcher in the Shire Hall on March 21st. Our President, Lady Rayleigh, took the chair, and the Grand Jury Room was crowded to hear Mrs. Alderton and Sir John Cockburn, K.C.M.G., who made stirring speeches, which were enjoyed by a representative audience of the town and neighbourhood. On May 28th, the Rev. Fleming Williams spoke in the Baddow Road Schoolroom, which was lent by the Rev. T. G. Ogilvie, who presided. Notices were sent to the members of the Free Churches in the town, but the

result as to attendance was disappointing. On October 31st, a successful Entertainment was given in the Institute, and £4 1s. 0d. was made, after all expenses were paid. Our Branch was well represented at the Albert Hall meeting on February 23rd, the Annual Council meetings, the Special Council meeting on May 14th, the Albert Hall meeting on November 3rd, and the London Opera House joint suffrage campaign on December 4th. Capt. Pretymann was asked to vote for the Conciliation Bill, and also to support the Snowden amendment to the Home Rule Bill. In neither case could he accede to our request.

Though affiliated to the Eastern Counties Federation we are sorry not to have been able to attend the meetings held at Norwich and Cambridge. Collecting cards sent out by them resulted in our members contributing £1 5s. 0d. and a donation of £1 was also sent. Two Guineas were also sent to the Election Fighting Fund.

CROMER.

President: Mrs. HAWKER, The Old Hall, Runton, near Cromer.
Hon. Secretaries:
Miss M. FOXALL, Shamrock, The Meadow, Cromer.
Miss MAY LITTLE.
Hon. Treasurer: Miss CREMER, Beeston Regis Hall, Sheringham.
Membership, 30.

Two Public Meetings have been held during the year, and much literature distributed. Conditions of work in Cromer are very difficult, but we hope to have more success in the future.

FELIXSTOWE, WALTON AND DISTRICT.

President: D. J. COWLES, Esq., J.P.
Chairman of Committee: Mrs. MANNING PRENTICE.
Hon Secretary: Miss EDITH PLACE, 24, Quilter Road, Felixstowe.
Hon. Treasurer: Miss LLOYD.
Membership, 36.

This Society was first organised in March, 1912. Successful Public Meetings were held on March 15th, Chair, Mr. Cowles; Speaker, Miss Place; April 30th, Chair, Lady Mary Cayley; Speakers, Mrs. F. D. Acland, Mrs. Rackham, Mr. Waterman; and Oct. 16th, Chair,

Mrs. W. T. Griffiths; Speakers, Lady Frances Balfour, Miss Eva Ward. A large Drawing-room Meeting was held in June, by kind invitation of Mrs. Acland. A Jumble Sale held in the autumn realised £5 11s. 0d. It is proposed to work the Friends of Women's Suffrage Scheme in the near future.

A memorial, personal letters, and post cards were sent to Captain Peel on behalf of the Snowden Amendment.

HARWICH AND DISTRICT.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mrs. COYSH, Rosebank, Dovercourt.

Hon. Press Secretary: Mrs. VALENTINE, Dovercourt.

Membership, 42.

A Public Meeting was held on Oct. 16th; Lady Frances Balfour and Miss Eva Ward spoke, and Major Nalborough was in the chair. A resolution in favour of Women's Suffrage was passed unanimously by a large audience.

EAST HERTS.

Hon. Secretary: Miss L. PULLER, Youngsbury, Ware.

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. R. A. DUNN, The Grove, Hertford.

Membership, 102 (last year, 38). Friends, 19.

This Society has held seven Public Meetings in Hertford, Ware, and the adjoining villages during the past year. The chief of these was a Mass Meeting in the Corn Exchange, Hertford, in November, at which Sir John Rolleston, M.P. for the Division, took the chair, and Lord Lytton and Mr. W. H. Dickinson spoke.

In June a combined Garden Meeting and Sale in aid of the funds was held at Hertford, admission being by invitation, and the first Annual Meeting of the Society was held in Hertford in October.

There is still a large part of the Society's area which is as yet untouched. In the South, no work has been done in the large villages of Waltham Cross, Cheshunt and Broxbourne, and although we have four members in Bishops Stortford, in the East, there is no organised support there. We are in hopes that, during the coming year, with the help of the Federation, a separate Society may be formed for Bishops Stortford and the surrounding district.

The Society is still without a President, and although in many ways work in East Herts. is very encouraging, support for Women's Suffrage amongst the more influential people may almost be said to be non-existent.

HITCHIN, STEVENAGE AND DISTRICT.

President: THE EARL OF LYTTON.

Hon. Secretary: Miss VILLIERS, Stevenage, Herts.

Hon. Organizing Secretary: Miss ANNIE VILLIERS.

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. WATHEN.

Chairman of Committee: Mrs. EDWARD SMITHSON.

Membership, 163. Associates, 22. Friends, 70.

Money received (from March 1st), £49 11s. 9d.

Number of Meetings held during 1912: 11 Public (large and small),
7 Invitation.

The record of Meetings held by our Society during the past year does not compare favourably with those held during 1911. This, however, must not be taken to imply any falling off in zeal on our part, but is entirely due to the fact of our having had a Bye-Election the previous year, which not only swelled our list of meetings, but also resulted in the return to Parliament of Lord Robert Cecil as Member for the Hitchin Division of Hertfordshire, and made us feel that being represented by so staunch a Suffragist ourselves, we ought to extend a helping hand to other constituencies, which were less fortunate than we were.

With this end in view, our Organising Secretary has been spending some time in other parts of the Federation area, and has been able to form three new Societies, which though small at present, will in time, it is hoped, increase in membership and vigor.

Our members have responded liberally to the many claims made on their time and money during the past critical year. In February last, we were able, through their generosity, to send £10 to the special collection made at the first Albert Hall meeting, and in November a further £10 for the E.F.F. which was collected at the second big meeting held last year.

A very gratifying sign of growth is seen in the response which we have met with in connection with the Friends of W.S. Scheme, although at present we are

only at the beginning of this, owing to the pressure of other work. In Stevenage, particularly, the results are most encouraging, as by far the larger number of 'Friends' have been obtained by working women themselves. There appears to be practically no opposition to Women's Enfranchisement among the workers here. It is the upper and middle classes who still remain obdurate.

Our funds have been largely helped by a Cake and Candy Sale, and a Rummage Sale, which have been held. Though we have lost several members (chiefly by removal) our membership has increased, particularly in Knebworth.

Our principal Speakers during the year were: Mrs. Bonwick, Mrs. Nott-Bower, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Hessel, Miss Bertha Mason, Mr. Laurence Housman, and our President, the Earl of Lytton.

HOCKWOLD AND BRANDON.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mrs. TENNANT, Hockwold Rectory.
Membership, 24. Friends, 8.

Two Meetings were held in January; also one in July, to pass a Resolution in favour of the Criminal Law Amendment Act.

HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

Hon. Secretary: Miss B. C. STALEY, B.A.
Hon. Assistant Secretary: Mrs. THEAKSTON.
Membership, 55.

Five Public Meetings have been held, three in Public Halls and two in the Market Places of St. Ives and Huntingdon. Speakers: Lady Frances Balfour, Mrs. Merivale Mayer, Mrs. Rackham, Miss Helen Fraser, Miss Eva Ward, Mr. Vulliamy, and Mr. Mirrlees.

At three crowded Meetings resolutions were passed by an overwhelming majority, calling on Parliament to enfranchise women this Session.

Mr. Locker Lampson, M.P. for N. Hunts., received a deputation led by Miss Helen Fraser, but gave no pledge as to his action on the Reform Bill.

Mr. Cator, M.P. for S. Hunts., refused to receive a deputation.

Very influentially signed memorials, worked up by

Miss Farnell with the help of Miss Staley and Miss Fordham, were afterwards presented, to Mr. Locker Lampson by Mr. H. Copley, and to Mr. Cator by Mr. Jones, J.P., urging them to support the amendment to the Reform Bill for the enfranchisement of women householders.

A Jumble Sale was held by Miss Staley at Hemmingford Abbots in September, which produced £3 8s. 6d.

The receipts from October, 1911, to December 31st, 1912, amounted to £21 15s. 10d., including sales of literature.

IPSWICH AND COUNTY.

President: Miss GALE.
Vice-President: Miss M. E. GRIFFIN.
Hon. Secretary—Mrs. DE CANDOLE.
Acting Hon. Secretaries:
Miss COLLET (March—September),
Miss GARDNER (September—December).
Hon. Treasurer: ALEXANDER GIBB, Esq.
Hon. Assistant Treasurer: Miss CLAYDEN.
Membership, 112.

Seven Meetings have been held during the year.

Miss Maude Royden addressed the Annual Meeting in March on the Industrial Position of Women.

At a Committee Meeting on March 26th it was decided to start a Reading Union for members. The following books were, among others, bought by various members of the Committee to form a nucleus:—

Sweated Industry—Clementina Black; A Great Crusade—Josephine Butler; The Married Working Woman—Anna Martin; Why Women Need the Vote—Mrs. Osler; Poverty—A Study of Town Life—S. Rowntree.

An Open Meeting in June was addressed by Miss Courtauld. Mrs. Rackham also spoke at this meeting, explaining the new policy of the National Union.

Meetings of the Provincial Council of the National Union were held on July 11th and 12th. July 11th, Afternoon Meeting addressed by Mrs. Fawcett and Mrs. Auerbach; Evening, Reception.

In October Mrs. Kellett addressed a meeting to explain the Friends of Women's Suffrage Scheme, and a meeting of members was held shortly afterwards to arrange details of the scheme, which is now in working order.

Two Meetings were held in December, at both of which Mrs. Morgan spoke on Women's Suffrage and the White Slave Traffic.

KING'S LYNN AND DISTRICT.

President: MRS. HOLCOMBE INGLEBY.

Vice-Presidents:

REV. A. H. HAYES.

RICHARD GREEN, Esq.

Hon. Secretary: MISS E. M. W. HOVELL, M.A.

Hon. Press Secretary: MISS DOROTHEA RHYS.

Membership, 70.

In addition to small Meetings, two public ones have been held. The first was a Garden Meeting, at which Miss Royden was the speaker, and some duologues were afterwards given by Mrs. Kellett and Miss McKay. At the second Meeting, held in November, the Speakers were Mrs. Rackham and Dr. C. V. Drysdale.

A number of members have withdrawn from the Society, some in horror and disgust at the destructive tactics of the militant party, and others in disgust at the active condemnation which these tactics have met with at the hands of the National Union.

LETCHWORTH AND DISTRICT.

President: RT. HON. THE EARL OF LYTTON.

Chairman of Committee: HON. MRS. FORDHAM.

Hon. Secretary: MISS E. WILKINSON.

Hon. Organising Secretary: MISS M. SUGDEN.

Hon. Treasurer: MR. R. W. TABOR.

Membership 349 (including 42 Associates).

Instead of holding as many Meetings in our own constituency as in the previous year our Committee decided to help the Eastern Counties' Federation by sending workers into other constituencies. Societies in Cromer and Biggleswade have been formed largely owing to our efforts, and help was also given to the Society at Luton.

We have ourselves held seven Public Meetings; two Invitation Meetings through the kindness of Miss Reckitt; one Open-air Meeting; two Speakers' Classes, which were taken by Mrs. Rackham and Mrs. Ramsey; and we provided a speaker for the Men's Literary and Debating Society.

We have provided the Letchworth Club and Pixmore Institute with a "Common Cause" each week, and have also distributed a large quantity of literature.

It has been decided to work the Friends of Women's Suffrage Scheme; several members have volunteered to act as visitors, and we hope to get into working order shortly. So far nine Friends have been enrolled, and it will no doubt be arranged that our Association will in future be classed as Friends.

In order to raise money we have held a Jumble Sale, a Dramatic Entertainment, a Sale of Christmas Cards, Gifts, etc., at the Office, and greatly owing to the generosity of Miss Reckitt, Mr. Laurence Housman gave a delightful lecture on "Reality in Poetry."

LOWESTOFT.

President: MRS. CHARLESWORTH, Gunton Hall, Lowestoft.

Vice-President: MRS. WORTHINGTON, 1, Wellington Esplanade.

Hon. Treasurer: MRS. GARRATT, 304, London Road.

Press Secretary: MRS. BIGNELL, 9, Surrey Street.

Literature Secretary: MRS. GOODALL, Carlton Colville.

Hon. General Secretary: MRS. PONDER, Oulton Broad.

Membership, 45.

During 1910 and 1911 Drawing-room and Public Meetings were held, with Speakers from the various Societies. In May, 1912, Mrs. Rackham was our Speaker, and during her visit consented to be one of a Deputation to interview the local Member, Sir Ed. Beauchamp. By this time, owing largely to the individual efforts of the members, the membership had slowly crept up to 44. On July 17th a Special Meeting of the Independent Lowestoft Society for Women's Suffrage was called for the purpose of meeting Mrs. Hazard and Miss Elphick, and after discussion, it was decided to become affiliated to the National Union. Since then two Public and two Drawing Room Meetings have been held, the speakers

being Miss Abadam, Mrs. Despard, Miss Creak, and the Vice-President of the Society, Mrs. Worthington.

Special efforts have been made by the members in asking Parliamentary Voters to write letters and post cards to Sir E. Beauchamp, the Prime Minister, and others, re their support for the Conciliation Bill, the Snowden Amendments to the Home Rule Bill, and the Franchise Bill.

MARCH.

President: MRS. SHERBROOKE WALKER.

Chairman of Committee: The Rev. G. SHERBROOKE WALKER.

Hon. Co-Secretaries:

Mrs. SHERBROOKE WALKER,

Miss VAWSER.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. HUBERT SMITH.

The Society affiliated with the National Union in July. Meetings were held on October 18th and 23rd. Speakers: Mrs. Mauchlin and Mrs. Sherbrooke Walker.

A Deputation to Mr. Neil Primrose was arranged in November, and Miss Farnell has organised a memorial to him.

NORWICH.

President: Mrs. JAMES STUART.

Hon. Treasurer: Miss L. E. SEWELL, 42, North Walsham Road, Norwich.

Hon. Secretary: Miss EDITH L. WILLIS, Southwell Lodge, Ipswich Road, Norwich.

Membership over 280.

£72 10s. 0d. has been raised during the year. A Special Appeal was issued to the members for funds for the Election Fighting Fund, and also for the work of the Eastern Counties' Federation. The proceeds of a Sale and of a Lecture have also been devoted to the carrying on of the work of the Federation.

A great many meetings have been held during the past year, including many Drawing-room Meetings as well as Special Meetings for working women, shop assistants, domestic servants and various Guilds. In August a very successful Meeting was organised by the Catholic League for Women's Suffrage on the occasion of the holding of the Catholic Congress at Norwich. Miss Abadam was the speaker, and a great deal of

interest was aroused. In order to bring the clergy of the Church of England in touch with the Women's Suffrage movement, the Committee of the Norwich Women's Suffrage Society gave an At Home last November, asking the Rev. C. Hinscliff down to address the meeting; the result being the formation of a branch of the Church League for Women's Suffrage.

A vast amount of literature has been distributed, notably on Jan 25th, when the city was also paraded with posters, drawing attention to women's demands to be included in the Franchise Reform Bill.

No opportunity has been lost of bringing pressure to bear on M.P.s to support Women's Suffrage amendments in the House of Commons—by means of Deputations, resolutions, post card campaigns, and personal letters, etc.

The Norwich Society has been represented at the Albert Hall meetings and other Demonstrations in which the Societies of the N.U.W.S.S. have been asked to co-operate.

ST. ALBANS.

President: LORD ROBERT CECIL.

Vice-President: Alderman W. S. GREEN.

Chairman of Committee: Miss CROWDY.

Hon. Treasurer: Miss LEE.

Hon. Secretary: Mrs. STUART.

Membership, 69.

The Society was formed in July, and a Meeting was held in November in the Town Hall. Speakers: Lady Frances Balfour and Mr. Gillespie.

SOUTHEND, WESTCLIFF AND DISTRICT.

President: LADY RAYLEIGH.

Chairman: Mrs. COLEMAN.

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. LA RIVIERE.

Hon. Secretary: Mrs. ST. JOHN WEBB, Briar Cottage, Salisbury Road, Leigh, Essex.

Hon. Secretary (pro. tem.): Miss E. IMRAY.

Membership, 60.

A large Public Meeting was held in May, at the Gynnasium, Westcliff. Speakers: Lady Frances Balfour and Mrs. Martel.

The work has been greatly hindered by illness and removal of officers.

SOUTHWOLD.

President: Miss SILCOX, St. Felix School, Southwold.

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. CHARLES FOSTER, Southwold.

Hon. Secretary: Miss HESS, 10, Lorne Road, Southwold.

Hon. Press Secretary: Miss I. KEELY, St. Felix School, Southwold.
Membership, 70.

Three Public Meetings have been held during the year. Miss A. M. Royden spoke at two of them, and Miss I. O. Ford and Mr. P. C. Loftus at the third. Miss Cicely Corbett spoke at a Drawing-room Meeting held at Mrs. Charles Foster's house. Mrs. Holmes also gave a Drawing-room Meeting, at which Mrs. Kellett was the speaker. Mrs. Kellett addressed an Open-air Meeting in the Market-place the same evening.

A memorial was drawn up asking the M.P. for this division to vote for the second reading of the Conciliation Bill. This was signed by seventy-two constituents residing in Southwold.

This Society sent a delegate to the Special Council Meeting of the N.U. held in London on May 14th, and two delegates to the National Meeting of Delegates in London on December 4th.

The membership of this Society has been nearly doubled.

THETFORD.

President: Miss C. L. PHILLIPS.

Hon. Press Secretary: Mrs. HARDY.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Miss M. N. LEACH.

Membership, 35.

This Society was formed in March, 1912, when a Meeting was organised by Miss Villiers, of Stevenage

On July 16th, by kind invitation of Mrs. Millington, a Garden Meeting of the Society was held in St. Audrey's garden. The meeting was addressed by the President, and then by Miss Cox, of Manchester.

A Public Meeting of the Society was held in the Town Hall, Thetford, on Oct. 17th, the Mayor of Thetford (J. G. Brown, Esq.) in the chair. The chief speakers were Lady Frances Balfour and Miss Eva Ward.

GREAT YARMOUTH.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Miss TEASDEL.

Committee: Mrs. ROGERS, Miss A. L. S. BROWN, Mrs. TURTON, and Mrs. PALMER.

At present the membership is small, as the Society has only recently been formed.

During the autumn a Memorial to Mr. A. Fell, M.P., begging him not to allow the Reform Bill to pass through the House without giving the Franchise to some women, was organised by the Society, and signed by about 100 influential and prominent electors of the Borough, and presented by a deputation.

NORTH AND EAST ESSEX.

President: LADY RAYLEIGH.

Hon. Treasurer: Miss GLADSTONE.

Hon. Secretary: Miss COURTAULD, Colne Engaine.

Membership 92.

Meetings have been held in Maldon, Bures, Stisted, Castle Hedingham, Pebmarsh, Braintree, Earl's Colne, &c.

It has been decided to try and form small centres within the N. & E. Essex Division, with local secretaries, in order to extend the work. Promises of help have been secured for Braintree and Bocking, Kelvedon and Coggeshall.

List 1.

FINANCIAL LISTS.

FEEs FROM FEDERATED SOCIETIES.

1912.

	£	s.	d.
Dunmow	0	3	0
Norwich	2	15	9
Woburn Sands	0	4	6
Hockwold	0	0	6
Colchester	0	13	7
Girton College	0	7	6
N. Herts.	1	4	0
Cambridge	3	1	6
N. and E. Essex	0	14	0
Newnham College	0	9	0
Chelmsford	0	6	0
Aldeburgh	0	18	9
Southend	0	1	6
King's Lynn	0	7	6
Hunstanton	0	2	8
Letchworth	1	14	10
Ipswich	0	10	0
Southwold	0	5	0
Harwich	0	6	0
West Cambs	0	1	6
Fakenham	0	2	0
Felixstowe	0	4	6
Boston	0	2	2

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List 2.

DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Norwich Society	16	5	0
Hitchin and District Society... ..	10	0	0
Mrs. Laws	1	0	0
Miss Crewdson	6	0	0
Mrs. Eustace Smith	2	2	0
Miss Eustace Smith	2	10	6
Mrs. Rackham	75	0	0
Colchester Society	3	8	4
Miss Pain	0	2	6
Mrs. Renton	0	5	0
Miss Colman	1	1	0
Miss Helen Colman	1	1	0
Mrs. Kellett	0	10	0
Chelmsford Society	2	0	0
Hockwold Society	1	13	0
Miss Courtauld	5	0	0
Mrs. Smithson	5	0	0
Mrs. Heitland	10	0	0
Mrs. Tabor	5	0	0
Miss Creak	1	1	0
Miss Duff	0	2	6
Miss L. Finch	0	5	0
Miss Mary Willis	0	5	0
Mrs. Mottram	0	1	6
Mrs. Briscoe	0	5	0
Per Mrs. Driver	0	7	6
Mrs. Hodgson	0	2	6
Mrs. Gripper	0	3	0
Mrs. Prothero	1	0	0
Mrs. Cambier	0	2	0
Mrs. Eve	0	5	0
Cambridge W.S. Association	5	0	0
Felixstowe Society	1	2	6
Hunts Society	1	2	6
Mrs. Knowles	1	0	0
Harwich Society	0	2	6
Mrs. Tennant	0	10	0
Miss Edith Willis	3	0	0
Mrs. Hazard	2	2	0
Mrs. Bidder (for van tour)	2	0	0

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List 3.

MILLION FARTHING FUND.

1912.				£	s.	d.
East Herts. Society	1	2	6
Chelmsford Society	1	5	0
Girton College Society	1	17	6
Ipswich Society	0	7	4
Hitchin, Stevenage and District Society	0	10	0
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				5	2	4

List 4.

SALES AND ENTERTAINMENTS FUND.

1912.				£	s.	d.
Woburn Sands Society	1	11	6
Letchworth Society	...	...	...	2	0	0
Cambridge Society and London Younger Suffragists	...	...	...	8	10	0
East Herts. Society	...	...	...	3	6	0
Hitchin, Stevenage and District Society	5	0	0
Cambridge	0	15	0
Woburn Sands	1	1	0
Bedford	4	10	0
Norwich	12	4	3
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				38	17	9

List 5.

MEN'S APPEAL FUND.

1912.				£	s.	d.
W. W. Greg, Esq.	2	2	0
A. J. Stevens, Esq.	1	1	0
W. Mirrlees, Esq.	0	10	6
Prof. Oppenheim	...	...	...	0	10	0
Prof. J. Ward	...	...	...	1	1	0
F. S. Tabor, Esq.	...	...	...	3	3	0
Rev. Prof. Bethune Baker	...	...	...	5	0	0
G. B. Finch, Esq.	...	...	...	5	5	0
J. H. Hirsch, Esq.	...	...	...	1	1	0
St. John Parry, Esq.	...	...	...	2	2	0
A. Hutchinson, Esq.	...	...	...	0	10	0
Lieut.-Col. Dixon	...	...	...	0	10	6
H. Rackham, Esq.	...	...	...	0	10	0
Prof. J. Ellis McTaggart	0	5	0
Prof. Braunholtz	1	1	0
Rev. B. Barton	0	1	6
Lawrence Tooth, Esq.	1	0	0
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				25	13	6

List 6.

COLLECTIONS AT MEETINGS.

1912.				£	s.	d.
N. and E. Essex Society	1	15	6
Norwich	1	7	10
Dovercourt	2	10	6
Sudbury	2	11	6
Cromer	1	6	6
Burnham	1	5	4
Southend	1	10	2
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				12	7	4

List 7.

DONATIONS PAID TO EXPENSES OF VAN TOUR.

1912.				£	s.	d.
Special Donation, Mrs. Bidder, per E.C.F.	2	0	0
Paid from E.C.F. General Fund	10	18	8
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				12	18	8

				£	s.	d.
*Paid direct to Van—						
Miss Eustace Smith	1	0	0
Miss E. Willis	1	0	0
Mrs. Stuart	3	3	0
* These donations do not form part of the Federation Account.						

List 8.

EXPENSES OF MEETINGS.

1912.				£	s.	d.
At Felixstowe	3	3	0
At Sudbury	5	8	0
At Burnham	1	1	0
At Lowestoft (Speaker's Expenses)	0	15	0
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				10	7	0

EASTERN COUNTIES FEDERATION BALANCE SHEET, 1912.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance in Treasurer's Hands ...	60 5 4	Payments to Organisers	238 12 4
Fees from Federated Societies, List 1	14 15 9	Less Sums Returned	14 9 2
Fees from Federated Members ...	1 9 6	Stationery and Office Requisites	224 3 2
Appeal Fund—	16 5 3	Printing and Typing	6 6 3
Donations, List 2 ...	167 17 10	Postages	13 9 11
Million Farthing Fund, List 3	5 2 4	Secretarial Assistance	13 14 7
Sales & Entertainments, List 4	38 17 9	Press Secretary's Expenses	0 4 0
Men's Appeal Fund, List 5	25 13 6	Salary of Organising Secretary (July to December)	3 18 1
Collections at Meetings, List 6	12 7 4	Literature	50 0 0
Grants from National Union	249 18 9	Expenses of Van Tour, List 7	4 2 8
Sale of Reports, Cards, Literature, etc.	45 1 0	Expenses of Meetings, List 8 ...	12 18 8
	0 9 0	Grant to Southend W.S.S.	10 7 0
		Sundries--Newspaper Advertising	0 10 0
		Bill Posting	1 0 4
		Insurance Stamps	0 12 0
		Cheques	0 6 6
			0 6 0
		Balance in hand, Dec. 31, 1912...	2 4 10
			30 0 2
	371 19 4		371 19 4

Audited with Vouchers and Pass Books, and found correct.

HELENE REINHERZ,
February 13th, 1913.

MARGUERITE HAZARD, Hon. Treasurer,
January 15th, 1913.

PARLIAMENTARY LIST.

In 1912 the area of the Federation included 28 County divisions, 9 Boroughs, and one University, returning in all 41 Members to Parliament.

Constituency.	Member.	Party.	Action with regard to Conciliation Bill on March 28th, 1912.
Bedfordshire			
Bedford	F. Kellaway	L. ...	Paired against
N. (Biggleswade)	A. W. Black	L. ...	Voted against
S. (Luton)	C. Harmsworth	L. ...	Abstained
Cambridgeshire			
Cambridge	A. Paget	U. ...	Voted against
Cambridge University	Sir J. Larmor	U. ...	Voted against
	J. F. P. Rawlinson	U. ...	Voted against
N. (Wisbech)	Hon. Neil J. Primrose	L. ...	Voted against
W. (Chesterton)	Hon. E. S. Montagu...	L. ...	Voted for
E. (Newmarket)	Sir Charles D. Rose...	L. ...	Voted for
Essex			
Colchester	L. Worthington Evans	U. ...	Voted for
N. (Saffron Walden)	A. Cecil Beck	L. ...	Voted against
E. (Maldon)	Sir F. Flannery	U. ...	Abstained
Mid (Chelmsford)	Capt. E. G. Pretyman	U. ...	Voted against
W. (Epping)	Rt. Hon. Lt.-Col. A. R. M. Lockwood	U. ...	Paired against
N. E. (Harwich)	H. K. Newton	U. ...	Voted for
S. E. (Tilbury)	Hon. R. Guinness	U. ...	Voted against
Hertfordshire			
N. (Hitchin)	Lord Robert Cecil	U. ...	Voted for
E. (Hertford)	Sir John Rolleston	U. ...	Voted for
Mid. (St. Albans)	Sir E. H. Carlile	U. ...	Voted for
Huntingdonshire			
N. (Ramsey)	O. Locker-Lampson	U. ...	Voted against
S. (Huntingdon)	J. Cator	U. ...	Voted against
Lincolnshire			
Boston	C. H. Dixon	U. ...	Voted against
Spalding	Hon. F. W. S. McLaren	L. ...	Voted for
Norfolk			
Norwich	Sir F. Low, K.C.	L. ...	Voted against
	G. Roberts	Lab ...	Voted for
Great Yarmouth	A. Fell	U. ...	Voted for
King's Lynn	H. Ingleby	U. ...	Abstained
N. (Aylsham)	Noel Buxton	L. ...	Voted for
N. W.	E. G. Hemmerde	L. ...	[Not in]
E. (N. Walsham)	Sir R. J. Price	L. ...	Voted against
Mid (Dereham)	W. L. Boyle	U. ...	Abstained
S. W. (Thetford)	R. Winfrey	L. ...	Paired against
S. (Diss)	A. W. Soames	L. ...	Voted against
Suffolk			
Ipswich	Sir D. F. Goddard	L. ...	Abstained
	Rev. C. Silvester Horne	L. ...	Abstained
Bury St. Edmunds	Hon. W. Guinness	U. ...	Voted against
N. (Lowestoft)	Sir. E. Beauchamp	L. ...	Voted for
N. E. (Eye)	Hon. W. H. M. Pearson	L. ...	Voted for
N. W. (Stowmarket)	F. Goldsmith	U. ...	Voted against
S. E. (Woodbridge)	Capt. R. F. Peel	U. ...	Paired for
S. (Sudbury)	Sir. W. E. C. Quilter...	U. ...	Voted against

LIST OF SPEAKERS.

NAME.	ADDRESS.	PARTICULARS.
Mrs. Adam, M.A.	21 Barton Road, Cambridge	Indoor meetings; moderate sized rooms.
Mrs. Barratt	The Poplars, Kelvedon, Essex	Women's meetings preferred, not far from Kelvedon.
Dr. Mary Bell	29 Unthank Road, Norwich	In or near Norwich. On Thursdays only out of Norwich.
Mrs. Bethune-Baker	23 Cranmer Road, Cambridge	
Mrs. Nuthall Boor	Marine, 4 The Leas, Westcliff-on-Sea	
Miss Jessie E. Clarke	Sunny Cot, Field Lane, Letchworth	Will address Women Workers of any class.
Miss Clough	Newham College, Cambridge	Cannot be away over night.
Miss K. M. Courtauld	Knights Farm, Earl's Colne, Essex	No long journeys. Willing to take part in debate with anti-suffragists.
Miss Creak	71 Panton Street, Cambridge	Religious and moral aspect of the subject.
Rev. A. S. Duncan-Jones, M.A.	Blofield Rectory, Norwich	Afternoon Drawing-room, or evening public meetings; would take both same day. Social and moral aspects of the subject.
Hon. Mrs. Fordham	Ringdale, Steeple Morden, nr. Royston, Herts.	Prefers to address people who do some kind of public, professional or industrial work. Has made especial study of women's employments. Likes to return same night.
Mrs. W. T. Griffiths (of Ipswich)	Garwick Lodge, Tomline Road, Felixstowe	
Mrs. W. H. Hazard	Calthoffs, Harleston, Norfolk	
Mrs. Heitland	Carnefield, Wordsworth Grove, Cambridge	Drawing-room meetings or any small gatherings.
Miss Fanny Johnson	Ramsey House, Barton Road, Cambridge	Small meetings.
Mrs. E. E. Kellett, M.A.	4 Belvoir Terrace, Cambridge	Women in Education. Marriage and divorce.
Mrs. Kennedy	St. Andrew's, Chesterton Lane, Cambridge	N. U. Executive.
William J. Mirreles, Esq., B.Sc.	11 Cranmer Road, Cambridge	Cannot be away over night.
Miss Place	24 Quilter Road, Felixstowe	Afternoon meetings. Temperance and Purity.
Mrs. M. L. Price	201 Ickfield Way, Letchworth	Preferably in or near Cambridge. After 6-30 p.m.
Mrs. Rackham, P.L.G.	18 Hobson Street, Cambridge	
Mrs. Ramsey	Howfield, Buckingham Road, Cambridge	
Mrs. C. C. Reed	Wych-elms, Knebworth, Herts.	
Mrs. Stevenson, P.L.G.	90 Chesterton Road, Cambridge	
Miss M. E. Tabor, M.A.	Fennes, nr. Braintree, Essex	
Mrs. Turton	256 Southtown, Great Yarmouth	Small afternoon meetings. Must return home for evening
Miss Vaughan	Turners, Rayne, Braintree, Essex	No long journeys. General suffrage and lives of great women.
Miss Annie Villiers	11 Julians Road, Stevenage, Herts.	General suffrage from point of view of social workers.
Mrs. Vulliamy	Maitland House, Newnham, Cambridge	White Slave Traffic, for which small discussion meetings preferred.
Mrs. J. Ward	6, Selwyn Gardens, Cambridge	Small meetings; working class audience preferred.
Mrs. Wathen	Welwyn Rectory, Herts.	May to Oct. only. Drawing-room or small public meetings.

NOTE.—It is understood that out of pocket expenses are paid by the Society visited.

As long notice as possible should be given in each case.

