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E.L.F.S. FIXTURES.

E.L.F.S. FIXTURES. Friday, Jan. 7th. Beckton Rd., 5 p.m., Mrs. Bouvier. Poplar Women's Hall, 3 p.m., Mrs. Bouvier, Mrs. Drake. Bow Women's Hall, 8 p.m., "Par-liament." Saturday, Jan. 8th. Morning Lane & Well St., 11 a.m., Mrs. Bouvier, Miss Manicom. Grundy St., 3 p.m., Mrs. Boyce, Miss Manicom. Bow Baths, Roman Road, 7—12 p.m., New Year's Party. Sunday, Jan. 9th.

New Year's Porty. Sunday, Jan. 9th. Hyde Park, 3 p.m., Anti-Conscription Meeting. Rathbone Street, 11.30 a.m., Mrs. Bouvier, Mr. Atlee. Osborne St., 11.30 a.m., Miss Lynch. Poplar Women's Hall, 7.30 p.m., Miss Georgina Brackenbury. Chair: Mrs. Drake. Monday, Jan. 10th. 175 Dalston Lane, 3 p.m., Miss Lynch, Miss Manicom. Custom House, 4.30 p.m., Mrs. Bouvier Miss Beamish.

Miss Beamish. Follett St., 6 p.m., Miss Manicom. *Tuesday, Jan. 11th.* Bow Women's Hall, 3 p.m., Miss

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Chrisp St., 6.30 p.m., Mrs. Drake. *Thursday, Jan. 13th.*55 Fife Road, 3 p.m., Mrs. Bouvier.
175 Dalston Lane, 8 p.m., Miss Feek, Miss Manicom.
Friday, Jan. 14th.
Grundy St., 11 a.m., Mrs. Bouvier.
Poplar Women's Hall, 3 p.m., Mrs. Walshe, Mrs. Drake.
Beckton Rd., 4.30 p.m., Miss Manicom.

Walshe, Mrs. Drake. Beckton Rd., 4.30 p.m., Miss Manicom. Saturday, Jan. 15th. Vernon Rd., 3 p.m., Miss Lynch. Morning Lane & Well Street, 3 p.m., Miss Rickards, Miss Manicom.

Miss Rickards, Miss Manicom. Sunday, Jan. 16th. Hyde Park, 11.30 a.m., Mrs. Bouvier. Bow Women's Hall, 7 p.m., East London Branch of the Women's International League, Mr. Pethick Lawrence. Chair: Mrs. Bouvier.

SATURDAY, JANUARY STH, 1916 COME TO HYDE PARK (MARBLE) To protest against Conscription SUNDAY, JAN. 9th, 3 p.m.



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E.L.F.S. AT ST. STEPHENS.

Members of the E.L.F.S. have been lobbying Members against Con-scription each day since Parliament

scription each day since Parliament reassembled on January 4th. Many M.P.'s said that if the Labour Members opposed Conscrip-tion the Lords and Conservatives would force a General Election. The Labour Members would thus lose their supporters are at the front, whilst the Labour Party would be weakened in the House. Mr. Will Thorne, Mr. Yeo, and Mr. Gulland, the Chief Liberal Whip, were amongst those who were interviewed.

MUNITIONS ACT AMENDED.

MUNITIONS ACT AMEINDED. The following improvements to the Muni-ons Act have been put into the Amending ill which has now passed the Commons. The Minister of Munitions has power to fix the rates of wages to be paid to women in unition factories, but the provisions are aque and unsatisfactory. Where women are employed in munition totries there shall be one woman assessor asses brought before the Munitions ibunals. tions Bill w The

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SUPPRESSION OF THE "FORWARD."

donald. Mr. Tennant said that he did not know the *Forward* was a labour paper. Mr. Pringle asked that the Prime Minister would give facilities to debate the matter of the adjournment. Mr. Asquith said he knew nothing of the matter

matter. 249 8 Mr. Outhwaite replied "You ought to

Mr. King asked whether a copy of the paper could be put in the library or published

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isit to the Clyde munition workers. Here is the gist of the information : Mr.Lloyd George is the best paid munition worker in Britain; he gets almost £100 a week. Mr.Lloyd George was to have met the Clyde workers in the St. Andrew's Hall on Thursday night, Dec. 23rd, but after all arrange-ments had been made it was announced that the meeting was postponed till the morning of Saturday, Christmas Day. The committee of trade union represen-tatives responsible for the Thursday meeting decided, first by 29 votes to 7, then by 34 votes to 3, not to attend the Christmas Morning meeting, on the ground that the notice was too short to secure a representative gathering. It was unanimously decided that before any future meeting was arranged for the Ministry of Munitons a meeting of shop stewards and trade union officials must be held to formulate a common policy. On learning this news by telephone, Mr. Arthur Henderson, M.P., and three Government officials appeared, and tried in vain to induce the committee to change its mind. Dr Friday morning, Lord Murray of Ellibank summoned the delegates

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Bromley-per Mrs. Payne-80. OTHER SOCIETIES. NORTH LONDON M.P.U. HON. Sec. : Mar. H. G. EVERRETT, eto Mn. tunes, 31 Baimes Rond, Southgate Road. The hon, sec. wishes a very Happy New Year to all our members, and trussi it will be happiest of all in the victory of our greatest of all causes-Votes for Women. All members are urged to support our Sunday meetings in Finsbury Park at 3 p.m. Speaker: Mr. Todd. Members are also urged to de everything in their power to extend the circulation of the *Dreadnought*, and to win Votes for Women now.

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The Suffragettes of the W.S.P.U. have published a *News Sheet*, which is to be sold at a penny, and to appear "as occasion arises." Its object is to chronicle the activities of the organisation.

E. L. F. S. GENERAL MEETING, Monday, January 17th, 8 p.m. siness - - Plans for 1916. Business

SUNDAY MEETING, JAN. POPLAR WOMEN'S 9th. HALL, 20 Railway St., 7.30 p.m.

Speaker : Miss Georgina Brack-enbury. :: Chair : Mrs. Drake. Songs : Miss Stephens. :: :: :: Admission Free. :: :: :: :: ::

The Work Ham Mail gives as one of the important events of the year, that a branch of the League of Rights for Soldiers' and Sailors' Wives and Relatives was formed in the Town Hall on March 8th, 1915. The Hon. Sec. is Mrs. Thompson, West Ham.

Bread is now 9d. a quartern loaf in London, in Birmingham best bread is 9d. It is sug-gested that a Government order should be issued prohibiting the delivery of bread. This is going a step too far; abnormal prices and then to fetch bread as well 1

SUPPRESSION OF THE "FORWARD." said: "Mr. Ramsay Macdonald is one

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 Said: "Mr. Ramsay Macdonald is one of my greatest personal friends."
 After a time, Mr. Kirkwood, convener of the Parkhead Shop Stewards, appealed to the audience not to prevent Mr. George from speaking.
 "At the close of his address," the Forward says:—
 "Mr. Loyd George proceeded to answer the written questions which had been handed up from the body of the hall. He promised to reply to them all if he possible could, but he had an engagement at 12 o'clock, and if he failed to get through theat. He remaining answers work, be mind and the remaining answers work, but mind the remaining answers work, but mind the seat and demanded an opportunity of tating the case for the workers. This, he said, had been promisers an appealed to him to resume his seat, but Mr. Muir was determined not to be put of till Mr. George had to leave. As it was impossible to hear the hister or Mr. Muir, the chairman closed the proceedings, and the meeting broke up in disorder."

broke up in disorder." The Forward continues :— "Mr. Lloyd George did not go to Fairfield; the men at Weir's declined to listen to him, preferring to get on with the making of munitions.

"The Shop Stewards at Parkhead Forge met in the offices to greet the Minister.

'A force of police, about 100 strong, "A force of police, about 100 strong, guarded the entrance, and seemed surprised that common working men should be permitted to pass into the great presence. The meeting was held in the large drawing office, and the workers were gathered discussing the business before them when Mr. Lloyd George was ushered into the room in his best stage manner. His companions included the works' manager, Lord Murray, and the Rt. Hon. Mr. Arthur Henderson, M.P. The entrance ceremony fell flat. The workers displayed little or no interest in the new-comers, but went on with their business. their business.

"After a minute or two the work's manager approached Mr. Kirkwood, the convener of Shop Stewards, and stated that Mr. Lloyd George wished stated that Mr. Lloyd George wished an introduction to him. It was suggested that Mr. Kirkwood should act as chairman, while Lord Murray volunteered the hint that he should introduce Mr. Lloyd George as 'The Rt. Hon. Mr. David Lloyd George Chief Minister of Munitions for the British Empire.' Kirkwood agreed Chief Minister of Munitions for the British Empire.' Kirkwood agreed on condition that his acting as chair-man did not in any way restrict him in putting questions or discussing what was said. . . . He said:--'This is Mr. Lloyd George. He has come specially to speak to you, and no doubt you will give him a patient hearing. I can assure him that every word he says will becarefully weighed. We regard him with suspicion, because every Act with which his name is associated has the taint of slavery about it, and he will find that we, as Soctchmen, resent this; and that if he desires to get the best out that if he desires to get the best out

that if he desires to get the best out of us he must treat us with justice and respect." "This reception seemed to flabber-ghast the Minister of Munitions... "Kirkwood asked if he were pre-pared to give the workers a share in the management of the works.... If they had not control, cheap labour would be introduced, and unless their demand were granted they would fight the scheme to the death. "Mr. Llovd George here inter-

"Mr. Lloyd George here inter-jected some remarks to the effect that the workers were not capable of managing workshops, to which Kirk-wood hotly retorted: 'These men, for whom I ask a say in the manage-ment carry, the confidence of the for whom I ask a say in the manage-ment, carry the confidence of the workers, and have confidence in themselves. They brought out the men of the Clyde in February in defance of you, in defance of the Government, in defance of the Army, and in defance of the Trade Union leaders. They not only led them out, but they led them back victorious. They let it be known that if their demands were not granted, masters might force them to the workshops, but could not make them work. Who runs the workshops now? Men drawn from the ranks of the working class.

The only change would be responsi-bility to the workers, instead of to the present employers. If produc-tion is to be improved the benefit must go the workers.' "Mr. Lloyd George stated that

must go the workers." "Mr. Lloyd George stated that this was a revolutionary proposal, and the present was not a time for revolutions, when the country was engaged in a life-and-death struggle with a foreign foe. "'Ah,' said Kirkwood, 'you are thinking as a lawyer. It takes en-gineers to reason out an industrial situation like the present one. The settlement of it will affect engineers, not lawyers. This war has proved conclusively to the workers that one engineer is worth a hundred lawyers, even of your kind." "A number of questions on the Munitions Act were afterwards put by various members of the audience, one speaker pointing out that he was prevented by Lloyd George's Act from taking another job in which the wages would be increased by 8. a week. "Kirkwoodadded that this Munitions

LANDLORDS AGAIN! At Kingston the cases of two women, wives of soldiers at the front, were heard. They were in arrears with their rent, and the landlord wished them to be ejected on that account, besides regarding them as "undesirable tenants." Their children disturbed the neighbours and were said to be a "unisance." The women told the Bench they were willing to pay off arrears, but the owners refused the money; the illness of their children was the cause of their falling into debt.

At Birmingham 500 babies and thei otherswere entertained on December 22n. y the municipal authorities at the Tow.

by the municipal authorities at the Town Hall. The little guests were some of the babies who are being reared in the congested quarters of Birmingham with the co-opera-tion of the Municipal Infant Welfare Society. Several voluntary societies are also helping to grapple with the problem of infant mortality.

NEW YEAR HONOURS' LIST.

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About 20 women are employed in Scotland Yard at clerical and secretarial work. For the present the appointments are temporary. Is this merely a way to avoid giving men's pay?

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CHILDREN'S PARTIES. POPLAR TOWN HALL, Saturday, January 22nd, 4 to 7 p.mu FAIRBAIRN HALL,

CANNING TOWN, Saturday, February 19th, 3 to 6 p.m.-GIFTS OF SWEETS, FRUIT, TOYS, ETC., WILL BE MOST ACCEPTABLE.

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children was the cause of their falling into debt. The Bench adjourned the cases for a month to give the two women an opportunity of paying. The case of Mrs. Tansley, tenant of the Duke of Bedford, was heard at Woburn Police Court on Saturday. The tenant. George Tansley, enlisted in December. Previous to enlistment he was a blacksmith. A successor was found, and he wanted Mrs. Tansley's house as there was no other in the neighbourhood. The Duke of Bedford considered the application justified, and the Court gave an order for possession within one month. So much for the Rent Bill

Leicester Labour Party, Liverpoor Labour, Representative Committee, Railway Clerks' Association. Further Resolutions are also to be moved to increase old age pensions to 7s. 6d. per week, and to call upon the National Labour Party to press the Electoral Reform Bill. To the latter the Women's Labour League move the following amendment:---'' That this Conference declares that any changes made in the electoral system should include the grant of the franchise to women.'' Resolutions demanding equal pay for men and women will be put to the Bristol con-ference by the Amalgamated Union of Clothiers' Operatives, London and Pro-vincial Union of Licensed Vehicle Workers, the Women's Labour League, Ealing, Acton and Chiswick Labour Council.

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week. "Kirkwoodadded that this Munitions Act bound the workers to Beardmore as effectively as if they had branded a capital B on their brows. "Mr. Lloyd George said that he was not responsible for the Munitions Act. It emanated from their leaders, men like Mr. Brownlie, and Mr. Arthur Henderson, who was present. "Kirkwood turned dramatically to-wards Mr. Henderson and declared, waving his hand: 'We repudiate this man. He is no leader of ours. Brownlie has been told the same thing to his face. And if you, Mr. Lloyd George, want to know the mind of the workers, don't go to these men. If you want to do away with the discontent in the workshops, do away with the cause.' "Mr. Lloyd George and his party then left the meeting."

LANDLORDS AGAIN!

BRISTOL CONGRESS.

BRISTOL CONGRESS. The Agenda of the fifteenth Annual Labour Conference to be held at Bristol, January 26th, the following societies move protests against conscription :-Barnsley and District Trades and Labour Council, Bristol Labour Representative Committee, Chorley Division Trades and Labour Council, Eccles Parliamentary Division Labour Party, Leigh Labour Party, Ealing, Acton and Chiswick Labour Council, Leicester Labour Party, Liverpool Labour Representative Committee, Railway Clerks' Association.