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(National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies.)

REPORT
OF THE
NORTH-EASTERN SOCIETY
FOR
WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE,

*Presented at the Annual Meeting, held in the Drawing Room Café,
Northumberland Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 8th February, 1909.*

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EARL GREY.

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OBJECT.

To obtain the Parliamentary Franchise for Women on the same terms as it is, or may be, granted to men.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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Mrs. DUNN, 20, Woodbine Avenue, Gosforth

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Miss ROWELL, 30, Osborne Road, Newcastle

Mrs. M. D. SHAW, 13, Bristol Terrace, Newcastle

Mrs. SIMM, 15, Oakfield Terrace, Gosforth

Mrs. WATSON, 20, Oxford Street, Newcastle

Mrs. WEDDELL, 11, Devonshire Place, Newcastle

Dr. ETHEL WILLIAMS, 19, Ellison Place, Newcastle

and Hon. Secs. and Treasurer, *ex-officio*.

REPORT FOR 1908.

During the year 1908 the work for the cause of Women's Suffrage has been carried on with renewed vigour.

On February 28th, Mr. Stanger, M.P. (North Kensington), introduced a Bill removing the disability of sex and marriage, and enfranchising women on the same terms as men. On the second reading 271 voted for the measure and 92 against. Every Member of Parliament in the area covered by this Society, except Sir W. S. Robson, Mr. Hill, and Mr. Craig, and one supporter who was absent through serious illness, voted for the second reading. The reference of the Bill to a Committee of the whole House blocked its further progress for that session.

In May the Co-operative Congress declared in favour of Women's Suffrage.

On January 30th, Mr. Asquith, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, received a deputation of the National Union, and admitted that he was personally opposed to the extension of the franchise to women, and said that the Government could do nothing until assured that there was a "genuine and widespread demand" for this reform amongst women themselves and in the country generally.

On May 20th, as Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith received a deputation of Liberal M.P.'s on the subject. He then said he would not oppose an amendment, including women, to the measure of electoral reform that was part of the Government programme, and admitted that two-thirds of the Cabinet were in favour of this reform. The amendment must, however, be of a democratic character and backed by the overwhelming support of the men and women of the country.

On October 20th, the Prime Minister refused to receive a deputation of persons who had recently acted as chairmen of meetings in favour of Women's Suffrage who desired to inform him of the "serious and widespread" support underlying the movement. He declared, however, that "he was always

prepared to take note of any indication of public opinion on the question, and was aware from numerous communications of the facts of which they spoke."

He replied similarly to the Registered Medical Women, of whom only 15 out of 553 had refrained from signing the manifesto.

The year's work has therefore to be regarded as satisfactory from the point of view of the change in attitude of the person who at present is of primary importance.

This Society's contribution to the work is a fairly large and representative one. The Annual Meeting was held on February 20th, in the Drawing Room Café, Northumberland Street. Mrs. Taylor occupied the chair, and the reports were presented by Mrs. Atkinson and Dr. Ethel Bentham. The latter made an appeal for funds to wipe off a deficit of £33, £20 of which had been carried over from the previous year. In a few minutes £40 was subscribed in the room. A letter was read from Mrs. Harrison Bell resigning the position of Organiser. The resolution "That this Annual Meeting of the North-Eastern Society for Women's Suffrage calls upon His Majesty's Government to afford facilities for passing into law Mr. Stanger's Bill for the enfranchisement of women during the present session," was moved by Mrs. Taylor. Miss Mabel Atkinson, M.A., seconded in a speech provocative of fresh thought, and it was carried unanimously.

Thirteen Executive Meetings have been held during the year. On July 29th, a Special Meeting of the Society was held at the Drawing Room Café, at 3.30 p.m., to consider the following resolution: —

"That as the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies has twice rejected this Society's Resolution—'That the time has now come to oppose the Government Candidates at Bye-Elections,' this Society withdraws its affiliation to the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies and affiliates with the National Women's Social and Political Union."

Dr. Ethel Bentham was voted to the chair, and read the notice convening the meeting. The resolution was moved by Mrs. Taylor and seconded by Mrs. Atkinson, and debated keenly for an hour and a half, when the vote was taken, 13 voted for the resolution and 19 against. The thirteen ladies, two of whom were the Hon. Secs. of the Society, then withdrew from membership, but before they left the meeting a vote of thanks to the retiring officers for past services was moved by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson, and carried. This vote included thanks to Dr. Bentham for presiding over the meeting. The ladies resigning their membership then withdrew. Dr. Bentham intimated that as she would be absent from Newcastle for at least six months she desired to vacate the treasurership, which post was accepted by Mrs. Wilkinson, L.L.A. Mrs. Harrison Bell was elected Hon. Sec., and the following ladies to fill the vacancies on the Executive:—Mrs. Hall, Miss Newbegin, Mrs. Weddell, and Mrs. Watson.

Delegates have attended each of the Quarterly Council Meetings. The following ladies also took part in the procession and meeting in the Albert Hall on 13th June, Dr. Ethel Bentham, Dr. Marion Phillips, Misses Mary Longman, Brett (2) M. Hall, and Mabel Atkinson, M.A., also Mrs. Atkinson, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Wilkinson, L.L.A., Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Eliot Harrison, and Mrs. Harrison Bell. A Newcastle lady (name formerly Miss Rankin) also came to walk under our banner. Mrs. Taylor presented a bouquet to Mrs. Fawcett at the great meeting.

THE BYE-ELECTION.

The National Union undertook the responsibility for the work, and sent down Miss Helen Fraser as Organiser during its progress. Two crowded meetings were held in the Town Hall, four in schools, and about 120 out of doors. One of the Town Hall meetings was presided over by Dr. Ethel Williams and the other by Mrs. Harrison Bell. Several new speakers, Miss Mein, B.Litt.,

Miss Mail, B.Litt., Miss Dunn, Miss Dickinson, and Miss Hall began their work then, and more than one hundred members of the Society took part in the work. One of our Executive Members, Mrs. Eliot Harrison, acted as the Chief Office Official for the National Union. The hire of a shop in Blakett Street made the work of the National Union one of the chief centres of political activity during the contest. On Election Day for the first time, a petition, signed only by electors, was inaugurated, and fifteen hundred signatures were received in two days. The petition contained 5,625 signatures, and was presented in the House of Commons by Mr. Walter Hudson, M.P., as the first business of the Autumn Session. It was photographed, and is on sale as a post card at 1d. each.

PROPAGANDA.

During the Spring, while a Trades Dispute was in progress, circular letters were sent round to Trade Union Branches asking if they would receive a speaker on the subject of Women's Suffrage. The workers in wood either declined or sent no reply, except in the case of Wallsend where the meetings were of the allied trades, the workers in metal were pleased to receive speakers. The meetings were usually held at 10.30 or 11 a.m. Thirty-one crowded meetings were held, at many of which there was a most interesting discussion, and at 30 of which the usual "afford facilities" resolution was passed and sent up, these being part of the "numerous communications" mentioned in another place. At Wallsend the allied trades meeting numbered over 600, and after Miss Daisy Weddell, B.Litt., and Mrs. Harrison Bell had spoken at it, an invitation to address another meeting was received, and Mrs. Atkinson and Mrs. Shaw attended upon another occasion. In addition to the four before mentioned, Dr. Ethel Williams, Dr. Ethel Bentham, Mrs. Wilkinson, L.L.A., and Miss Mabel Atkinson, M.A., were the speakers at these Trade Union Meetings.

This year it has been found impossible to get a correct record of the number of speeches made by members of the Society on

the invitations of other Societies, but they have been more numerous than ever before.

Since the Bye-election the Society has held fourteen Drawing Room Meetings, Miss Fraser, and Mrs. Waldie Cairns, B.Sc., B.Litt., and several of the ladies already mentioned being the speakers. The Society is much indebted to the following ladies who were so good as to act as hostesses:— Mrs. Wells Patterson, Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs. Mein, Mrs. Weddell, Miss Davies, Mrs. Reed, Miss Yate Lee, Miss Temperley, Miss Ericsson, Mrs. Shaw, Dr. Williams, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Robson. In addition to these Mrs. Dunn has kindly arranged one early in the year.

Public Meetings have been held fortnightly during the winter, on Mondays, at 7.30 p.m., in the Drawing Room Café. Some of these have been very well attended, others not so numerous. These are being continued till March. That on March 8th being at 3 p.m., and on March 22nd, at 7.30, a debate with an Anti-Suffragist.

Public Meetings have been held at Gateshead (2), Jarrow, North Shields, Wallsend (2), Durham, and Whitley Bay, Miss Fraser speaking at all except Whitley Bay. From these meetings also the usual resolution was sent to the Prime Minister.

Fifty-nine new members have been added to the Society since July.

As this is the time when there should be no slackening of effort, the Committee appeal very strongly to members to increase their subscriptions, to give donations, and to volunteer for work, of which there is still an enormous quantity to be done in the area covered by the Society. Helpers are needed to address envelopes, to take charge of literature, collect money, and to address meetings, a regular course of which should be held in every Tyneside town weekly, and could be, if all who can, will help.

In the country places, if any member will help either by holding a drawing room meeting, or a garden party, or by arranging an outdoor public meeting, speakers will be arranged for by the Executive. The names and addresses of those willing to help should be sent to the Hon. Sec., and subscriptions and donations to the Hon. Treasurer. Suggestions will also be gladly welcomed by the Executive Committee, who will be pleased to undertake work for the cause which will counteract the work begun by our anti-suffrage opponents, and go to making evident what we already know, that the country is ready for this long-delayed act of justice.

F. N. HARRISON BELL,
Hon. Secretary.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Atkinson, 2, Devonshire Terrace, Newcastle	1	1	0
J. B. Atkinson, Esq., " " " "	0	10	0
Miss Atkinson, M.A., 26, Denning Road, London	0	10	0
Mrs. Atkinson, Wellbank, Morpeth	0	1	0
A.B.C.	0	1	0
Mrs. Armstrong, 27, Patterdale Terrace, Gateshead	0	1	0
Miss Andrews, 11, Claremont Place, Newcastle	0	2	6
Miss Atkinson, 12, Northumberland Street, Newcastle	0	2	6
Miss Ayre, 1, Howard Terrace, Morpeth	0	1	0
Mrs. Adam, 10, Kenilworth Road, Newcastle	0	2	6
Miss S. A. Atkinson, 21, Windsor Terrace, Newcastle	0	2	6
Mrs. Allan, The Grove, Benton	0	2	0
Miss J. Armstrong, 87, Glenthorn Road, Newcastle	0	2	0
Mrs. Alexander, 4, Dawson Square, Tynemouth	0	2	0
Miss Brett, 14, Portland Road, Newcastle	0	10	0
Mrs. Brett, " " " "	0	2	6
Miss L. Brett, " " " "	0	1	0
Miss H. Brett, " " " "	0	1	0
Mrs. Brown, Wentworth Place, Newcastle	0	2	6
Mrs. Boag, 14, Avondale Terrace, Gateshead	0	1	0
Miss Bunting, 165, Helmsley Road, Newcastle	0	5	0
Miss Bowman, Cramlington Village	0	2	0
Mrs. Harrison Bell, 6, Hotspur Street, Heaton	0	2	6
J. N. Bell, Esq., J.P. " " " "	0	2	6
Mrs. Bunting, Scotswood, Newcastle	0	2	6
Miss Barclay, " Gazette " Office, South Shields	0	2	6
Dr. Ethel Bentham, 23, Hogarth Road, Earl's Court, London	1	10	0
Miss Florence Bell, 12, Saville Row, Newcastle	0	2	6
Mrs. Bell, 5, Highbury, Newcastle	0	2	6
Mrs. Blechynden, 56, Highbury, Newcastle	0	2	6
Mrs. Brewis, 2, Eskdale Terrace, Newcastle	0	2	6
Miss Brewis, " " " "	0	2	6
Carried forward	£6	18	6

	Brought forward	..	£6 18 6
Mrs. Browning, 13, Liddle Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Bainbridge, Bentinck Council School, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Briggs, 25, Seagrove Place, Luton	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Balleny, 5, Northumberland Square, North Shields	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Blacklock, 13, Highfield Road, Gateshead	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Bamford, 40, Sunbury Avenue, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Buchanan, 13, Osborne Avenue, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Branwell, Bellair, Penzance	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Edwin Bowman, Fern Avenue, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Cairns, 22, Otterburn Avenue, Gosforth	..	..	0 5 0
Miss F. Catnach, 33, Grosvenor Place, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Cooper, 2, Sydenham Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	1 1 0
Miss N. Coote, 18, Queen's Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Miss May Crossley, Barnburgh Grange, Doncaster	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Clarke, Grove Lodge, Gosforth	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Crawford, 10, Haldane Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Conway, 10, Bede Burn Road, Jarrow	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Cochrane, Low Gosforth House, Gosforth	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Crombie, 47, Rothbury Terrace, Heaton	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Detchon, 45, Fern Avenue, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Dickinson, 56, Manor House Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 3 0
Miss J. Dinning, Schoolhouse, Humshaugh	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Dippie, 60, Warrington Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Dodds, Beacon Villa, Low Fell	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Dunn, 20, Woodbine Avenue, Gosforth	..	..	1 1 0
Miss Dunn, " "	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Eliot, 13, Bristol Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Edwin Emley, The Croft, Low Fell	..	..	0 2 0
Miss Emley, 9, Carlton Terrace, Low Fell	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Hope Emley, " "	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Eyres, 5, Carlton Terrace, Low Fell	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. A. Emery, 13, Lovaine Place, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss E. English, 9, Warrington Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Miss E. Ericsson, Mayfield, Newcastle	..	..	0 5 0
Miss Foley, 14, Neville Street, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Forster, 1, Devonshire Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. H. Forbes, The Cottage, Longbenton	..	..	0 1 0
Miss K. Forbes, Colwell R.C. School, Barrasford	..	..	0 2 6
Miss France, Claremont Park, Gateshead	..	..	0 1 0
	Carried forward	..	£13 4 6

	Brought forward	..	£13 4 6
Miss D. Fürsteman, Moor House, Spennymoor	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Floyd, Beechwood House, Birkswill, near Coventry	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Grant, Bondgate Hill, Alnwick	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Gray, Sydenham, Edward's Road, Whitley Bay	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Garland, Beaumont, Gosforth	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Garland, " "	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. W. J. Greener, 34, Beaconsfield Road, Low Fell	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Gill, 13, Tankerville Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Gibson, Ormidale, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Hall, 241, Wingrove Avenue, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Eliot Harrison, 13, Bristol Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. T. Hardie, Gateshead	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Hardie, Stillington, Yorks	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Hopper, 9, Delaval Road, Whitley Bay	..	..	0 2 6
Miss M. Headlam, High School, Durham	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Hedley, 33, Eskdale Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Hunter, 180, Heaton Park Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Hunter, 9, Otterburn Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Hudson, 8, Eskdale Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss Mary Hudson, " "	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. and Miss Hervey, 71, Fern Avenue, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Hood, Spring Garden, Morpeth	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Jevons, Hatfield Hall, Durham	..	..	1 1 0
Mrs. Donald Jones, Bede College, Durham	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Jaques, South Cliff, Roker	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Jenkins, 6, Kensington Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Johnson, Hunstanworth Vicarage, Riding Mill	..	..	0 2 0
Miss King, Bella Vista, Morpeth	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Leitch, 108, Croydon Road, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 0
Miss Yate Lee, 180, Rye Hill, Newcastle	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Laidler, 169, Harriet Street, Byker	..	..	0 2 0
Miss Lee, Fairyfield, Stockton	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Lowe, The Vicarage, Haltwhistle	..	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Levin, Westover, Gosforth	..	..	0 10 0
Mrs. Mail, 62, St. George's Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Miss H. Mail, B.Litt., 62, St. George's Terrace, Newcastle	..	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Martin, 25, Wolsingham Road, Gosforth	..	..	0 1
Mrs. Marshall, Akenside Lodge, Newcastle	..	..	0 2 6
Miss Marshall, 71, Bewick Road, Gateshead	..	..	0 1 0
	Carried forward	..	£18 11 6

Brought forward	..	£18 11 6
Miss M. Malcolm, 99, Jesmond Road, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss L. J. Mawson, Ashfield, Low Fell	..	0 2 6
Miss E. Cameron Mawson, Ashfield, Low Fell	..	0 2 6
Mrs. MacQueen, 16, Cambridge Terrace, Gateshead	..	0 2 0
Miss Macnamara, 216, Wingrove Avenue, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Moberly, 1, Akenside Terrace, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Morant, 23, Old Elvet, Durham	..	0 0 0
Mrs. Michael, Hebburn	..	0 1 0
Mrs. J. J. Mein, Longhirst, Morpeth	..	0 1 0
Mrs. N. Mein, Hunstanworth, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Edward Muir, 32, Devonshire Place, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss M. O. Muir,	..	0 1 0
Miss M. Mitchell, 5, Cardigan Terrace, Heaton	..	0 1 0
Miss Newbigin, Greenbatt, Fenham, Newcastle	..	0 5 0
Miss Maud Newbigin, M.A., Greenbatt, Fenham, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Hilda Newbigin,	..	0 2 0
Miss Alice Newbigin,	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Newcombe, Invermore, Low Fell	..	0 10 0
Miss J. H. Oliver, 71, Bewick Road, Gateshead	..	0 1 0
Miss Ord, 1, Vernon Gardens, Gateshead	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Pease, Pendower, Newcastle	..	0 10 6
Mrs. Peile, Greenwood, Shotley Bridge	..	0 10 6
Miss Peile,	..	0 2 6
Miss F. Peile,	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Pumphrey, Minsteracres	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Wells Patterson, 26, Ellison Place, Newcastle	..	0 10 0
Mrs. Potter, 14, Highbury, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Piercy, 110, Park Road	..	0 1 0
Miss D. Price, 26, Fern Avenue, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Pruen, 53, Fern Avenue, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Cecil M. Priestman, Esq., Shotley Bridge	..	1 1 0
Mrs. Pitt, 46 & 48, Askew Road, Gateshead	..	0 1 0
Mrs. James Richardson, South Ashfield, Newcastle	..	0 10 0
Miss C. Richardson, The Quarries, Newcastle	..	1 0 0
Mrs. Richardson, Elswick Road	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Richardson, 132, Chillingham Road, Heaton	..	0 2 6
Miss Richardson, 10, Otterburn Terrace, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Mrs. J. Reed, 23, Akenside Road, Newcastle	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Reid, 12, Milton Street, Shieldfield, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Carried forward	..	£26 1 0

Brought forward	..	£26 1 0
S. T. Robinson, Esq., 10, Tavistock Road, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Robson, The Grove, Benton	..	0 2 6
Mrs. L. Robson, Dryden Road, Gateshead	..	0 5 0
Mrs. Röhr, 60, Greystoke Avenue, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Alice Rowell, 30, Osborne Road, Newcastle	..	0 5 0
Miss G. Rowell,	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Rounthwaite, 36, Saltwell View, Gateshead	..	0 2 0
Mrs. Rollins, 11, The Avenue, Durham	..	0 1 0
Miss Robinson, Abbey House, University, Durham	..	0 6 0
Miss Florence Bobinson,	..	0 1 0
F. J. Shaw, Esq., 13, Bristol Terrace, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Shaw,	..	0 2 6
Henry Simpson, Esq., 18, Percy Street, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Dr. Stuart, Hallgarth House, Durham	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Stuart,	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Stocks, 31, Old Elvet, Durham	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Surtees, Hamsterley Hall, Rowland's Gill	..	0 10 0
Mrs. Stuart, the Hope, Gosforth	..	0 10 0
Mrs. Streatfield, 22, Park Street, London	..	1 0 0
Mrs. Strachan, 15, Otterburn Terrace, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Sturge, Ashfield House, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Scholefield, 1, Fernwood Road, Newcastle	..	0 10 0
Miss Smith, Saville Row, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Swift, Fern Avenue, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Ethel Sharp, 82, St. George's Terrace, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Miss Wailes Strang, 21, Holmwood Grove, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Miss Temperley, M.A., 4, Carlton Terrace, Low Fell	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Thompson, 53, Warton Terrace, Heaton	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Thompson, Woodside, Sunderland	..	0 2 6
Miss Ruth Turnbull, 3, Park Villas, Gosforth	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Watkins, Archdeaconry, Durham	..	1 1 0
Miss Wardlaw, Summer Fields, St. Leonard's-on-Sea	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Watson, 20, Oxford Street, Newcastle	..	0 2 6
Mrs. Angus Watson, Beechcroft, Newcastle	..	0 10 0
Miss Wardle, Stanhope House, Westoe	..	0 1 0
Miss L. Weatherald, 38, Rye Hill, Newcastle	..	0 1 0
Mrs. Webster, Coquet Street, Jarrow	..	0 1 0
Mrs. C. Wilkinson, L.L.A., 6, Grosvenor Place, Newcastle	..	1 1 0
Mrs. A. Wilkinson, Claremont, Westerhope	..	0 2 0
Carried forward	..	£34 3 6

Brought forward	..	£34	3	6
Dr. E. Williams, 19, Ellison Place, Newcastle	..	1	1	0
Mrs. William Wilson, Queen's Road, Newcastle	..	0	1	0
Mrs. Wilson, The Hollies, Blackheath	..	0	1	0
Mrs. Leslie Wilson, 82, Osborne Avenue, Newcastle	..	0	5	0
Mrs. Weddell, 11, Devonshire Place, Newcastle	..	0	5	0
Miss M. Weddell, B.Litt., 11, Devonshire Place, Newcastle	..	0	1	6
Miss Wood, Special School, Bentinck, Newcastle	..	0	1	6
Miss C. Walton Wilson, Shotley Hall, Northumberland	..	0	2	6
Mrs. Watt, Bede House, Jarrow	..	0	2	0
Mrs. Young, 19, St. Cuthbert's Avenue, Blackhill	..	0	1	0
		£35	17	0

DONATIONS.

		£	s.	d.
L. W. Adamson, Esq., South Villa, Regent's Park, London	..	1	1	0
Mrs. Harrison Bell, 6, Hotspur Street, Newcastle	..	0	15	0
Mrs. Dunn, 20, Woodbine Avenue, Gosforth	..	2	2	0
Mrs. Marshall, Akenside Lodge, Newcastle	..	1	0	0
Miss Harper, Ladies' Club, Newcastle	..	0	5	0
Mrs. Newcombe, Invermore, Low Fell	..	2	0	0
Mrs. Pease, Pendower, Newcastle	..	2	0	0
Mrs. Pumphrey, Minsteracres, Riding Mill	..	5	0	0
Mrs. Wells Patterson, 26, Ellison Place, Newcastle	..	2	2	0
Mrs. Renwick, 1, Henschelwood Terrace, Newcastle	..	2	2	0
Mrs. Taylor, Chipchase Castle, Wark	..	25	0	0
Miss V. Taylor, " " "	..	2	2	0
Dr. Ethel Williams, 19, Ellison Place, Newcastle	..	2	9	0
J. R. Blanco White, Esq. " "	..	2	5	0
Mrs. Wilkinson, 6, Grosvenor Place, Newcastle	..	2	4	6
National Union	..	36	0	0
X.Y.Z. " " " "	..	5	0	0
		£93	9	6

NORTH-EASTERN SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

Account of Receipts and Payments for Year ending 31st December, 1908.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		
RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.					
To Subscriptions (as per printed list)	..	35	17	0	By Balance due Treasurer from 1907	..	33	3	7
„ Special Donations (as per printed list)—				„ Printing and Advertisements	..	32	10	2	
National Union—				„ Expenses of Meetings, Halls, &c.	..	9	14	11	
Grant	..	£18	0	0	„ Organiser's Salary and Expenses, Speakers' Fees	..	21	8	9
Grant towards Newcastle Election Expenses	..	18	0	0	„ Postage, Block, and Check Book	..	10	14	8
Members	„ Delegates' Expenses	..	7	3	9	
Collections at Drawing Room Café Meetings (Oct.—Dec.)	..	7	14	5	„ Affiliation Fee	..	2	2	0
Collections at Sundry Meetings	..	3	8	3	„ Auditor's Fee	..	1	1	0
Collections at Drawing Room Meetings	..	14	15	6	„ Purchase of Literature and Badges	..	4	13	4
Literature Sold	„ Grant towards Newcastle Election Expenses (as per contra)	..	18	0	0	
		25	18	2	„ Balance in Bank	..	16	3	9
		1	11	3					
		£156	15	11					

We have examined the above Account with the Books and Vouchers relating thereto, and certify that, in our opinion, it is correct.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 4th February, 1909.

JOHN G. BENSON & SONS, Chartered Accountants.

**NORTH-EASTERN
SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.**

RULES.

1. An Annual Subscription of 1/- and upwards shall constitute Membership of the Society, and 10/- a Member of the Council. Associates and Supporters are not required to pay anything.

2. The Subscriptions are due on the first day of January of the current year.

3. A General Meeting of the Society shall be held once a year to receive the Report and Statement of Accounts, to appoint the Executive Committee and Officers, and to transact any other business which may arise.

4. The Executive Committee shall have power to add to its number at any time.

5. A Special General Meeting of the Society may be called at any time by the Executive Committee, or at the written request of not less than five Members of the Society. At such time no subjects shall be discussed but those mentioned in the notice of the Meeting.

6. Eight days' notice shall be given of all General Meetings.

Any Members or Associates changing their address should inform the Secretary of the change.

Literature on the subject of Women's Suffrage will be supplied gratis by the Hon. Secretary.