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OBJECT: To secure for Women the Parliamentary vote as it is or may be granted to men; to use the powers already obtained to elect women in Parliament, and upon other public bodies, for the purpose of establishing equality of rights and opportunities between the sexes, and to promote the social and industrial wellbeing of the community.

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MARRIED WOMEN AND INCOME TAX.

By MRS. AYRES PURDIE.

In law, men and women are equal as regards income tax, except the married woman. Therefore, where taxation is concerned, the grievance of the latter is the only one calling for redress. Her position is an incredible anomaly. There is no Married Women's Pro-perty Act for her. The Income Tax Act clearly states to-day (as it did more than a century ago, having never altered in this respect), that a married woman's income altered in this respect), that a married woman's income belongs to her husband, and where it is concerned she is non-existent. The Income Tax Acts are Crown Acts; the Married Women's Property Acts were merely the outcome of private Bills. Hence, the former take no cognisance of the latter, and never will until such legislation is introduced as will bind the Crown to recognise the Married Women's Property Acts. The "Crown" (I use this term because the lawyers always do so, and it is technically correct) is not bound by private Acts unless such Acts have made specific provision for ensuring general observance. This omission on the part of the framers of the Married Women's Property Acts has left the married woman in a positively ludicrous position, though concerted action should easily sweep away a state of affairs degrading both to her and to the State.

Mr. Lloyd George admitted long ago that the position was quite indefensible, but it yielded money to the State. In other words, *it is all wrong, but it pays.* (The woman pays, of course, here as elsewhere.) However, with his usual facile pretence of removing a grievance, while in reality evading it, and sliding right round it, he had a minor (very minor) clause inserted in the Income Tax Act. Because, however, this clause was merely a characteristic makeshift and expedient, which totally ignored the main problem, it is impracticable and unworkable; in fact, I believe the authorities have no intention of working it, for it simply makes confusion worse confounded, and results in chaos.

Briefly outlined, it consists of an elaborate ritual imposed on wives (and on no other persons), whereby a certain form has to be gone through at a certain moment (it has no parallel in income tax procedure), and is supposed to confer on the wife a *temporary* right (for one year only) to a portion (not to the whole) of her own money. If she misses the psychological moment, or swerves a hair's-breadth from the prescribed procedure, she is wiped out, and another year must elapse before she can again attempt to assert her identity. The clause has evidently been arranged by very clever officials to make it hopelessly difficult for the married woman to comply with its requisitions. However, even if she succeeds so far, subsequent complications arise. The officials try to choke her off; they sometimes encourage the husband to bring pressure to bear on her to abandon her rights. In fact, I know of one case where a man (a solicitor), after his wife had successfully got through the formalities of the ritual, bought her off from following the matter further.

It need not be pointed out to the intelligent reader that, unless men profited by the anomalous position of married women, it would not pay to buy a wife off the paltry concession that was wrung from Lloyd George.

Some time ago, Mr. Chamberlain said, in the House, that it was false to accuse the Government of repudiation of the Married Women's Property Acts. Some allowance, I suppose, must be made for his ignorance. I challenge any Chancellor of the Exchequer to demonstrate that the Government accepts and respects the Married Women's Property Acts. If it does, let it at once remove from the Income Tax Act the clause which says that a wife's income belongs to her husband. It is not only in the Act, it appears on all the official forms. If not true, why is it allowed to remain, and why does the Government officially and persistently refuse to abandon it?

This article deals only with the theoretical aspect of women's position. In another article I hope to deal with the practical aspect, and definitely instruct those married women who desire to assert their rights as far as the present law permits.

The question for women to put to Candidates at an Election should be : "Will you force the Government to remove from the Income Tax Act the words that 'the income of a married woman is deemed to be the husband's income,' and to accept nothing but Yes or No as a reply,"

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WOMEN'S MEANS OF SUBSISTENCE.

The world has grown so accustomed to seeing the work of women unpaid and underpaid that people generally pay little attention to the special economic hardships which so many women have to put up with. In a case dealt with at the Mansion House, last week, it was stated that the manageress of a tea-rooms was paid $\pounds I$ a week and commission, and that the waitresses had 2s. commission on every f_{1} they took, and a share in the tips, but no salary. The manageress was fined for permitting light conduct between waitresses and customers. The magistrate rightly pointed out that the real offender in the case was the proprietress, who did not appear, but who must have known perfectly well that in running the place on those lines, she was forcing the girls to pander to the frivolity of customers. He also expressed the hope that one day it would be possible to get hold of the people who really ran these places, who took the profits, kept in the background, and avoided punishment.

We sincerely hope that the Union of Post Office Workers will succeed in securing the appointment of a committee of inquiry, on which there should certainly be women, to investigate the conditions of employment in telephone exchanges. A report issued by the Union says that cases were reported to their committee, and cases were directly observed in which girls were reduced to tears and had to be assisted from the exchange, owing to the mental stress involved in trying to cope with the pressure of work.

We all remember the fervour with which many of the present members of the Government and of Parliament, ust before the last General Election, proclaimed repeatedly that a grateful country should at least make ample provision for the widows and children of the fallen Quite recently, many widows of men who were killed on active service have had their pensions stopped. Only last week a widow with two children had to seek outdoor relief from the Southwark Board of Guardians. Her husband was killed in an air raid when home on leave from France. The widow was given a pension of 35s. 10d. a week up to September 25th last, when she was officially informed that she would receive no further pension or grant. The Central Appeal Tribunal have disallowed an appeal against this decision, on the ground that her husband's death was not due to any disability whilst on active service. Could meanness on the part of the authorities go farther? We are told that the Government are prepared to sanction the expenditure of £10,000,000 for schemes for the employment of men during the coming winter; but, so far, no mention has been made of any effort to provide work for unemployed women. These latter, the majority of whom have no political power, because they are under thirty years of age, are supposed to be satisfied with the hope that they will somehow or other get work, because work has been given to a number of men-they must be content this time with the crumbs which fall from the poor man's table ! It is estimated that the road works for the relief of unemployment alone will cost about $\pounds_{7,000,000}$. Could not the clerical Objects: To restore to 8 Women all they should Have, all they work in connection with these schemes be given to should Know, and all they should Be. work in connection with these schemes be given to women?. There are countless unemployed women clerks.

Last Saturday, the Minister of Labour, speak-ing at a meeting of the Cheltenham Employment Committee, said that the Treasury had agreed to advance, by way of a loan, the amount of money (\pounds_3) which an intending settler in Australia was required to have in his possession, to men who desired to migrate to Australia, and whose cases had been passed by the appointed authorities, but who were known to lack this necessary sum. Is it not time that women secured the Parliamentary vote at the same age as men, in order to press their claims for equal treatment with men in regard to attempts to solve the problem of unemploy-

Then we have a woman writer suggesting that Dec. 12. "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse." Feminist Ideals as World Correctives. the solution of economic difficulties for women is not "equal pay for equal work," but a scheme of national insurance for all single women over thirty ! Why, in the name of common sense, should another weekly

deduction be made from the wages of women only? Women are already systematically paid less than men for work which is frequently of a greater quantity and of a higher quality than men supply, and they are expected to relinquish their job without question if any man is found to desire it. The Government, by its practice, advances the illuminating theory that men alone have the right to the provision of work, and now it is suggested that a woman should pay an extra weekly insurance contribution for the disadvantages of being a woman ! Well, really, it is high time that women took a firmer hand in their own affairs, and sent a number of sensible women to Parliament to secure a more equitable adjustment of the means of subsistence for the women workers of this country.

WOMEN AT HOME & ABROAD.

More Women M.P's.

Mrs. Councillor Alderton, of Colchester, who is a Scotswoman by birth and upbringing, was last week adopted as prospective Independent Liberal condidate for South Edinburgh. The seat is held by Mr. C. D. Murray, the Lord Advocate for Scotland. It has been suggested that in certain contingencies Mr. Murray might not be the candidate at the next election, and the name of the Duchess of Atholl as Coalition candidate has received a certain amount of favour.

Sophie Bryant Exhibition.

An Exhibition of £20, to be called the Sophie Bryant Exhibition, to assist girls from the Henrietta Barnett School at the Hampstead Garden Suburb to enter a University, has been founded by Mrs. S. A. Barnett, in memory of her friend, Dr. Sophie Bryant. From the inception of the School, with six little girls nine years ago, Dr. Sophie Bryant was its Hon. Director, and potent guiding and stimulating influence. The Exhibition will be awarded by the examiners after examination

The Woman's Movement in Belgium.

The Woman's Movement in Belgium has made steady progress since the war. To-day, Belgian women can be called to the Bar, they are eligible for the Senate, the Chamber, and Provincial and Communal Councils, they possess the communal vote, and some twenty thousand war widows have been fully enfranchised. The practical outcome is one woman Senator, 181 women Councillors, five women Burgomasters, and several women Sheriffs.

Woman as First Mate.

When the French vessel, Etoile d'Aujonau, put into Durban recently, it was discovered that one of the ship's officers, although attired as a man, was a woman, and it was explained that she was the wife of the skipper and carried on the duties of first mate. The boat runs between Diego, Suarez, and Mada-

THE FEMINIST LEAGUE.

MISS ABADAM

- will lecture on 7 consecutive Tuesdays, at 6.30, Mortimer Hall, Mortimer Street.
- Oct. 31 Results of past Enforced Ignorance, Home Captivity and
 - over Sexing. Results of being World Monopolists. Lord Birkenhead versus Women Peers.
- . B. Bourchier versus the Woman's Soul. hn Bull'' Newspaper versus the Woman Worker. Nov. 14 The Convenient Outcast.
- Suggestion for ending " Paid Vice." hy the 'Kabbalah was Veiled, and Freemasonry Nov. 21 Why
- Nov. 28 Miss M, A. R. Tuker (Author of "Women Preachers" and "Ecce Mater") will give a Talk about the things concerning Women and on "Sacred Orders." Dec, 5 Psychology of Dress.
- Man, Woman, and Marriage Peace, Health, Purit
 - The Truth Shall Make You Free.

Admission Free, Silver Collection, All Women Welcome,

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GREEN, WHITE, AND GOLD FAIR.

The Green, White, and Gold Fair will be held on Friday and Saturday, November 10th and 11th, in the Basement Hall at the Central Hall, Westminster, and will be opened on Friday, November 10th, at 3 p.m., by the Viscountess Rhondda. The Fair will be open each day from 3 to 9 p.m. The chair will be taken on Friday by Dr. Octavia Lewin, and on Saturday by Councillor Mrs. Schofield Coates, J.P.

STALLS AND STALL-HOLDERS.

The stalls at present arranged for the League are :-

Hampstead Branch.—Handkerchiefs and Odds and Ends. Miss Goodliffe, Miss Lyndon, Miss Lane, and Miss Vibert. Mid-London Branch (Half Stall) .- Woollies and Chil-

dren's Clothing. Miss Steven.

Montgomery Boroughs Branch.—Welsh Produce and General Stalls. Miss Alix M. Clark, Mrs. and the Misses Elias, the Misses Codd, Mrs. Dixon, Dr. Lillias Hamilton, and Miss M. Morris. Portsmouth Branch .-- Household. Mrs. Whetton and Mrs. Tanner.

South-Eastern Branches.-General Stall and Xmas Tree. Miss White and Members.

Swansea Branch.-General Stall. Mrs. Thomas. Antiques and White Elephants.-Mrs. Harverson, Miss

Raleigh. General Stall.-Mrs. Lloyd.

Overalls and Aprons.-Mrs. Ammon, Mrs. Mustard, and the Misses Underwood. Pound Stall.-Miss Munro.

Remnant Stall.-Mrs. A. A. Thompson and Mrs. Harvey

James. Stationery Stall .- Mrs. MacMichael.

Toy Stall.—Mrs. J. R. Knight, Mrs. and Miss Judy Nettleton, and the Misses Maud, Muriel, and Beryl Scott. Literature Stall.—Miss Telling, Miss E. W. Kirby.

White Stall.-Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Trafford Williams.

"Vote" Stall.—Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Northcroft, Mrs. Newsome, and Miss Reeves.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

The entertainments will be numerous and varied, the following members and friends kindly giving their services :---Mrs. Cunningham, Miss Marianne Elias, Miss Hawkins, Miss Jacob, Mrs. Harvey James, Miss Newman, Mr. Eric Richmond, Mrs. Sparrow, Miss Thomas, and Mrs. Van Raalte; Miss Grace Woollacott's pupils will give a dancing display on Saturday, November 11th. Character readings will be given by Miss Isabel Blackman, Mrs. Grace Goodall, and Mrs. Russell; also Phrenology by Mr. F. Sons, who was so much in request last year.

Miss Berry will be glad to receive the names of any members or friends who are willing to give their services and help with the musical programme.

PLEASE HELPI

Gifts are greatly needed for all the stalls, and especially for the following :- Household : Mrs. Whetton and Mrs. Tanner will be grateful for any gifts for this stall, namely, soap, kettles, brushes, pots and pans, dusters, tea cloths, towels, dishcloths, in fact, any gift will be welcome that is useful to the household. A11 sorts of Woollies are required by Miss Sparkman : ladies' jumpers, bed socks, children's frocks, little coats, vests, leggings, socks, baby shoes, etc. The White Stall is very important, and will be in charge of Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Trafford Williams; every description of underclothing is needed for this stall. Mrs. Mustard, Miss Underwood, and Mrs. Ammon will much appreciate gifts of overalls, aprons, pinafores, etc. All members and readers of THE VOTE are especially asked to remember the Pound Stall, which will be in charge of Miss Munro; goods needed are currants, raisins, rice, tapioca, tea, packets of suet, sweets, etc. Remnants of material, either of cotton, woollen, or silk, also of ribbon, braid, lace, etc., are much needed by Mrs. Thompson for the Remnant Stall. Mrs. Harverson will be glad to receive gifts for the Antique and White Elephant Stall; anything will be welcome, however small. Many toys are wanted-dolls, stuffed animals, boxes of bricks, balls, etc.; Mrs. Knight will gladly welcome any article for this stall. Gifts of hand-

at the Fair this year the Information Bureau.

The "Crusader." The Friends of Armenia. The Friends Relief. The Russian Shop.' Miss Basnett. Miss Burwood. Messrs, Benetfits, Ltd. Messrs. Beatty Bros., Ltd.

The Portable Utilities Co., Ltd. The Staines Kitchen Equipment Co., Ltd. Tickets, including tax, price 1/3 (od. after 5 o'clock on the second day), are on sale at the Office. All communications and gifts should be sent to Miss Elizabeth Berry (Hon. Fair Sec.) at the Office,

Will readers of THE VOTE please also send something to Miss Reeves for THE VOTE Stall? We rely very much on the proceeds of this stall to meet the "end of the year " expenses. If every reader would promise a contribution, the stall would be furnished and a great deal of correspondence would be saved. Please show that you do appreciate your paper, and send a postcard saying what you will do for the stall. Saleable articles of every description will be welcomed, also suggestions of novel ways of making extra money !

will also have a table for the sale of fountain pens, and will take orders for visiting cards, printed Christmas cards, stamped notepaper, and printing of all descriptions. Samples and styles will be there for inspection, so please save up your orders and give them to us at the Fair.

Stationery Stall: writing blocks, postcards, boxes of paper, Christmas cards, calendars, pencils, pens, paints, playing cards, table stationery.

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The Committee will also be glad to receive the names of those who are willing to dress dolls, make underclothing for the White Stall, children's clothing, overalls and aprons, etc.

PRIZE COMPETITIONS.

Prizes will be offered for the best dressed doll, camisole, and made toys (elephants, dogs, cats, etc.), the cost of material not to exceed 2/6 or 3/-. The pat-terns for same can be obtained at *Fashions* for All Paper Pattern Department, 291A, Oxford Street, London, W.I. All communications relating to these competitions should be sent to Miss Berry.

The competitions have been undertaken by the Golders Green Branch, and are to be on an extensive scale, the part of the Hall reserved for them being decorated to represent Hampstead Heath on a Bank Holiday, with all the delights and wonders that visitors to this well-known spot are accustomed to, and will include hoop-la, dart-throwing, etc. There will also be competitions for Cockneys, and various other attrac-tions. All who know Miss Van Raalte, Miss Dickeson, and Miss Freeman will look forward with anticipation to something striking and unusual in the competitions

Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Hawkins will be in charge of

SOCIETIES TAKING STALLS.

There will be an exhibition of labour-saving appliances and lace-making. The following societies, friends, and firms (for labour-saving appliances and lace-making) are taking stalls :

The Catholic Women's Suffrage Society.

The Federation of Women Civil Servants. The Women's Freedom League Nine Elms Settlement. Hartfield Hospital Home School.

The Bucks Cottage Workers' Agency.

Messrs. Manuel Lloyd and Co.

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WOMEN FOR THE NEXT PARLIAMENT.

At the last General Election, in December, 1918, fifteen women stood as Parliamentary candidates, for the first time in the history of this country, and, though none of these secured a seat, several scored a high position in the ballot, and one and all were responsible for much excellent pioneer work. The last four years have efficiently ripened the good seed then sown, and the splendid record of our two British women M.P.s has undoubtedly brought it to maturity. Moss-grown prejudice and the indolence that is born of apathy has each alike vanished into thin air, and the country now stands prepared to welcome the work of women in the counsels of the State. Since 1918, twenty-eight women have been definitely adopted by various constituencies in Great Britain, and many others are ready to offer themselves for election when opportunity permits.

The majority of these prospective women candidates belong to the Independent Liberal Party, their names and constituencies being as follow

	Mrs. Wintringham, M.P.	Louth
	Lady Barlow	High Peak, Derbyshire
	Mrs. Burnett Smith	Maryhill, Glasgow
	Mrs. Stewart Brown	Waterloo, Liverpool.
	Mrs. Corbett-Ashby	Richmond
	Lady Currie	Devizes
	Miss Alison Garland	Dartford _
	Mrs. Scott-Gatty	Huntingdon
	Commandant Allen	St. George's, Westminster
	Lady Lawson	Bedford
	Councillor Mrs. Alderton	S. Edinburgh
	The Coalition Liberals ha	ve selected :
	Mrs. Coombe Tennant	Forest of Dean
	Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon	
	Miss Helen Fraser	Govan, Glasgow
	Miss May Grant	S.E. Leeds
	The only woman candidate	
	Dame Helen Gwynne Vaugha	
17	d there are two Coalition	Unionists :
	Viscountess Astor, M.P. Lady Cooper	Sutton, Plymouth Walsall

The Labour Party has ado	pted six women :
Miss Margaret Bondfield	Northampton
Mrs. Ayrton Gould	N. Lambeth
D 	E. Islington
Miss Susan Lawrence	E. Ham, North
Mrs. Pease	E. Surrey
Miss E. Picton Turberville	N. Islington
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The Co-operative Movement is putting up one candi-date, who is also being supported by the Labour Party : Mrs. Barton King's Norton, Birmingham and there are three Indepe lent Women Conc

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Mrs. Oliver Strachey Miss Eleanor Rathbone	Chiswick and Brentf East Toxteth, Liverp
Mrs. H: More Nishett	West Edinburgh

Practically all these women can claim many years of public work to their credit, and several are experts in ome one or more departments of our civic life. Three at least, Mrs. Coombe Tennant, Mrs. Corbett-Ashby, and Mrs. Ogilvie-Gordon, are well-known internationalists. Two more, Commandant Allen and Sub-Inspector Mrs. More Nisbett, are authorities on police work. Others, like Miss Margaret Bondfield and Miss Susan Lawrence, are noted leaders in the industrial world, and almost everyone in the list is, or has been, noted for many solid achievements on local governing committees

As we go to press, most people are talking about the imminence of a General Election. The policy of the Women's Freedom League, as decided upon at our last Annual Conference, is clear. We shall, wherever possible, support and work for all suitable women candidates, irrespective of the political party to which they belong, provided that our Branch in the locality in which they stand also agrees to support their candi-dature. We have sent round our questionnaires to most of the women candidates now in the field, and we have reason generally to be satisfied with their replies. Where there is no woman candidate standing, we shall direct our attention to the men candidates, asking them questions by post, and at their meetings, in regard to what they are prepared to do, if elected, in order to secure equal franchise for women with men at the earliest possible moment; if they will support legislation to establish the full equality of status between men and women; and whether, if promoted to office, they will exercise their administrative powers in the spirit of full equality between the sexes. The men who cannot satisfy us on these or similar questions may rely upon the active opposition of the members and friends of the Women's Freedom League in their district. It is our earnest desire to see the greatest possible number of women in the next Parliament, and we rely upon all members of the Women's Freedom League to do their utmost to secure their return. We still hope that our legislators will see the wisdom of granting the Parliamentary vote to women at the same age and on the same terms as men before the General Election. If this is not done, they will only have themselves to thank if women's resentment is very effectively expressed at the polls.

THE HYDE PARK CASE.

Last week, Sir Almeric Fitzroy, Clerk to the Privy Council, was fined by the Marlborough Street magistrate for "wilfully interfering with and annoying per-sons using Hyde Park," and an appeal has been lodged against the conviction. We have always urged that in such cases, whether the accused is a man or a woman, the person annoyed should appear in Court to substantiate the charge of "annoying." In this particular case, a woman witness appeared in Court and said she was annoyed. The outstanding feature of the proceedings was her cross-examination by Sir Henry Curtis-Bennett. We know quite well that it is the business of Counsel to do his level best for his client, but we consider that, in this particular case, the Counsel for the defence went beyond the justifiable limit in his attempts to discredit the evidence of the woman witness for the prosecution. The conviction of Sir Almeric Fitzroy is apparently not popular with the Press or the public; and it is being said that men who prefer to take a stroll unaccompanied by the police will certainly avoid Hyde Park after dusk. This reminds us of the time when the Women's Freedom League protested that the streets of London should be made safe from the police for respectable women-on the occasion when it was that two innocent women had been wrongly proved charged by the police, and sent to Holloway prison. Some 3,000 women are imprisoned, and a further 3,000 women fined, every year, on charges of "soliciting for immoral purposes." We wonder how many of them would be convicted if they were able to employ smart Counsel for their defence? They are charged and convicted on police evidence only, and, wherever they are, these women are always shadowed by the police. is not the fault of the police, who can only do their best in trying to carry out our complicated laws on molestation and solicitation; but we would ask all those people who consider that the conviction of Sir Almeric was not justified on the evidence given, to remember that thousands of women who have no means of defending themselves are subjected every year to conviction on less evidence than was forthcoming in the recent Hyde Park case.

Women delegates from various public bodies assembled at the Guildhall, Exeter, on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, under the auspices of the Women's Local Government Society, to discuss various aspects of Public Health.

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Dr. Adkins, M.O.H. for Devon, opening a discussion on Wednesday on "Housing as it affects Public Health," said they must not lose sight of the fact that bad housing was one of the component parts of the vicious circle, of which others were drink, poverty, vice, and ignorance. Bad housing, however, was the link in the chain which could be most easily broken. Every house should have adequate scullery and larder accom- gonorrhœa. At the present time there were some

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ton referred to Margaret Cavendish, wife of the first entirety by few people, shares with the Bible, Shake-Duke of Newcastle, famous for her astonishingly volu- speare, and a few other books, the honour of being minous literary output, both in poetry and prose; and among the most widely quoted pieces, of literature in our to Mary Astell, whose "Serious Proposal to the language.

wnose great but unfinished satirical poem, Hudibras, Amongst women literary "bone-shakers," Mr. Clay- 'took Caroline society by storm, and, though read in its

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Mrs. Montague. (Crediton) urged the necessity of educating public opinion in regard to pure milk. She described the insanitary condition of some cowsheds she had seen in remote country districts, and urged the giving of lectures on the subject of pure milk

Miss Berry (Secretary, Women's Local Government Society) spoke of the necessity of revising the conditions under which patients were allowed to leave tuber-

on "The Treatment of Venereal Diseases," referred to the havoc caused by them, especially syphillis and

the first-mentioned disease, and proases of the latter, every year. It o combat these diseases by fear. as a new vision, a new way of ew conception of what sex meant id nations

Boarding Out and Institutional uced on Thursday by Miss Bertha the W.L.G.S., and a member of Association. She said the boardmore satisfactory than scattered ze children more freedom in which particular trait of character

founder of the National Children , described the starting of the five years ago. The Association against other Societies, but to f the Adoption Bill now before sed, there would be no question the adoption of children. During the Association had had 30,000 babies, but the number adopted) 1,500. The Association never mother if she could keep it.

on (Chief Constable of Exeter), in he Child Delinquent," pointed out is dealt with for indictable offences les in 1920, no fewer than 15,000, children; and of 612,000 persons dictable offences, 25,000, or about ldren. Probation was particularly tment of juvenile delinquents, proofficer possessed the requisite

ENTEENTH CENTURY.

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er of this period, Bernard Mandephysician, and satirist, was menton as having anticipated several s. In one or another of his writthe mental capacity of women, and lisadvantages under which they e to education, etc.; whilst some rning cruelty to animals would give imane persons of our own day.

binson Crusoe, said Mr. Clayton, regarded as a literary "boneof his shower of pamphlets dealing se subjects, for the best known of old thinkers of his day, he suffered lties. He, too, pleaded the cause for women in his Essay upon Pro-697. Samuel Butler was the final -shaker" chosen by Mr. Clayton,

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Family Endowment. Farmers, Women Fellows, Women Filipino Women Films, Women and Finnish Women French Women.

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Labour Women. Land, Women and the League of Nations, Women and

Levees, Women and Lifeboat heroines. Liverymen, Women Lucy Stone League.

Macphail, Agnes Married Women's right to work. Mayors, Women

Medical Women. Millionaires,-Women Mill Workers, Women M.P.s, Women Mui-Tsai. Musicians, Women Motor cyclists, Women

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Tasmanian Women. Tasters, Women Taxi-drivers, Women Teachers, Women Terry, Ellen. Theatre Managers, Women Travellers, Women commercial Typists, Women 188,403. 338,379. 162. 19,214 (Mott Osborne),228,238, 284. 27.

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WOMEN FOR THE NEXT

At the last General Election, fifteen women stood as Parliame the first time in the history of this none of these secured a seat, position in the ballot, and one an for much excellent pioneer work. have efficiently ripened the good the splendid record of our two has undoubtedly brought it to m prejudice and the indolence that each alike vanished into thin air, stands prepared to welcome the counsels of the State. Since 1018 have been definitely adopted by in Great Britain, and many othe themselves for election when opp The majority of these prospect

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and Mrs. Ogilvie-Gordon, are well-known internation-Two more, Commandant Allen and Sub-Inspector Mrs. More Nisbett, are authorities on police work. Others, like Miss Margaret Bondfield and Miss Susan Lawrence, are noted leaders in the industrial world, and almost everyone in the list is, or has been, noted for many solid achievements on local governing committees.

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is not the fault of the police, who can only do their best in trying to carry out our complicated laws on molestation and solicitation; but we would ask all those people who consider that the conviction of Sir Almeric was not justified on the evidence given, to remember that thousands of women who have no means of defending themselves are subjected every year to conviction on less evidence than was forthcoming in the recent Hyde Park case

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THE EXETER CONFERENCE.

Women delegates from various public bodies assembled at the Guildhall, Exeter, on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, under the auspices of the Women's Local Government Society, to discuss various aspects of Public Health.

Dr. Adkins, M.O.H. for Devon, opening a discussion on Wednesday on "Housing as it affects Public Health," said they must not lose sight of the fact that bad housing was one of the component parts of the vicious circle, of which others were drink, poverty, vice, and ignorance. Bad housing, however, was the link in the chain which could be most easily broken. Every house should have adequate scullery and larder accommodation, sufficient rooms, ventilation, safe water supply, cupboard accommodation, sufficient room for garden with a paved yard, good drainage, and, where there were several houses, a recreation ground for children.

Miss Dutton (Sidmouth) suggested that in towns, women Councillors might persuade their Councils to set up an Advisory Committee, upon which women should be appointed, to advise the Council in regard to the proper windows, bathrooms, sculleries, etc., in houses. She also suggested that Guardians should petition the Government to compel every town to provide a sufficient number of new houses, and to put old houses in a proper condition.

Mrs. Phillips (Mayor of Honiton) said small Borough Councils and Boards of Guardians could not provide housing schemes without State aid, which at present was withheld.

a discussion on "Tuberculosis," Dr. Stirk, M.O.H., Exeter, spoke of the enormous difficulties which confronted all endeavours to control the disease, because of the extreme difficulty in making an early diagnosis, the lengthy incubation period, the uncertain duration of each case often extending to many years, and the widespread character of the infection. He emphasised the necessity of education and health propaganda in combating the disease. Hygiene should occupy a more prominent position than it did in the curriculum of Training Colleges, and in the school curricula. In conclusion, he referred to the necessity of safeguarding the milk supply, and contended that recent orders from the Ministry of Health appeared to he designed to retard any improvement in the present supply.

culosis sanatorium.

- Dr. Douglas White (London), opening a discussion on "The Treatment of Venereal Diseases," referred to the havoc caused by them, especially syphillis and gonorrhœa. At the present time there were some 100,000 cases of the first-mentioned disease, and probably some 250,000 cases of the latter, every year. was no good trying to combat these diseases by fear. What was needed was a new vision, a new way of looking at things, a new conception of what sex meant to both individuals and nations.

Miss Clara Andrew, founder of the National Children Adoption Association, described the starting of the Association in Exeter five years ago. The Association was not out to work against other Societies, but to upplement them. If the Adoption Bill now before Parliament were passed, there would be no question about the legality of the adoption of children. During the last five years, the Association had had 30,000 applications to take babies, but the number adopted had been reduced to 1,500. The Association never took a child from the mother if she could keep it. Mr. A. F. Nicholson (Chief Constable of Exeter), in

a discussion on "The Child Delinquent," pointed out that of 60,000 persons dealt with for indictable offences in England and Wales in 1920, no fewer than 15,000, or 25 per cent., were children; and of 612,000 persons dealt with for non-indictable offences, 25,000, or about 4 per cent., were children. Probation was particularly applicable in the treatment of juvenile delinquents, provided the probation officer possessed the requisite qualities.

SOME LITERARY BONE-SHAKERS OF THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY.

On Monday evening, in the Minerva Café, Mr. Edwy G. Clayton gave an interesting lecture on some of the literary celebrities of the past. Mrs. Tanner presided. The 17th century, said Mr. Clayton, was a period of "alarums and excursions," and of acute and acrid controversy, during which not a few noteworthy writers suffered for their opinions. Among these was William Prynne, author and barrister, who contended, in his Histrio-Mastix, published in 1633, that "Popular Stage Plays were . . the very Pompes of the Divell," and was imprisoned, fined, degraded from his profession, lost both his ears, and had the book burned by the hangman. The Rev. Samuel Johnson, Rector of Corringham, Essex, who plunged into politics, and in 1679 produced a book entitled Julian the Apostate, directed against James, Duke of York, was tried by Jeffreys, convicted of libel, fined and imprisoned, and his book was burned. The work of Jeremy Collier, reader at Gray's Inn, and author of "A Short View of the Immorality of the English Stage," eexrcised a lasting influence.

Amongst women literary "bone-shakers," Mr. Clavton referred to Margaret Cavendish, wife of the first entirety by few people, shares with the Bible, Shake-Duke of Newcastle, famous for her astonishingly voluminous literary output, both in poetry and prose; and to Mary Astell, whose "Serious Proposal to the

shaker,'

language.

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OUR ELECTION POLICY.

As we go to press, most people are talking about the

imminence of a General Election. The policy of the Women's Freedom League, as decided upon at our last Annual Conference, is clear. We shall, wherever

possible, support and work for all suitable women

candidates, irrespective of the political party to which

they belong, provided that our Branch in the locality

in which they stand also agrees to support their candi-

dature. We have sent round our questionnaires to

most of the women candidates now in the field, and we

have reason generally to be satisfied with their replies.

Mrs. Montague (Crediton) urged the necessity of educating public opinion in regard to pure milk. She described the insanitary condition of some cowsheds she had seen in remote country districts, and urged the giving of lectures on the subject of pure milk.

Miss Berry (Secretary, Women's Local Government Society) spoke of the necessity of revising the conditions under which patients were allowed to leave tuber-

The subject of "Boarding Out and Institutional Methods " was introduced on Thursday by Miss Bertha Mason, Chairman of the W.L.G.S., and a member of the State Children's Association. She said the boarding-out system was more satisfactory than scattered homes, because it gave children more freedom in which to develop their own particular trait of character.

Ladies," written 150 years before its time, and published in 1694, ran into four editions.

Another male writer of this period, Bernard Mandeville, philosopher, physician, and satirist, was men-tioned by Mr. Clayton as having anticipated several latter-day movements. In one or another of his writings, he testified to the mental capacity of women, and pointed out the disadvantages under which they aboured in reference to education. etc. : whilst some of his remarks concerning cruelty to animals would give pleasure to many humane persons of our own day.

The author of Robinson Crusoe, said Mr. Clayton, must assuredly be regarded, as a literary "bonein virtue of his shower of pamphlets dealing with the most diverse subjects, for the best known of which, like other bold thinkers of his day, he suffered the usual legal penalties. He, too, pleaded the cause of higher education for women in his Essay upon Pro jects, published in 1697. Samuel Butler was the final example of a "bone-shaker" chosen by Mr. Clayton, whose great but unfinished satirical poem, Hudibras, took Caroline society by storm, and, though read in its speare, and a few other books, the honour of being among the most widely quoted pieces, of literature in our THE VOTE

WOMEN HOUSE PROPERTY MANAGERS.

At the Minerva Café, on Wednesday of last week, Miss Jeffrey gave an interesting description of House Property Management as a career for women. Miss Stella Wolfe Murray presided.

Miss Jeffrey explained that the term, House Property Managers, had only come into use during the last few In Miss Octavia Hill's time, the women who years. worked under her were known as rent collectors, but, this term being somewhat misleading, since the collection of rents was only one small aspect of the work, the later title was finally adopted. Property Management differed from ordinary house agents' work, not by requiring any less knowledge, but because it specially concentrated on house property. An ordinary house agent took into his office all sorts and conditions of property, but the work which Miss Hill initiated was work that definitely aimed at controlling property which enclosed homes. The story is well known of how Ruskin loaned Miss Hill a sum of money to carry out her housing schemes. The first three houses in Marylebone, which were purchased with this money in 1864, were maintained by the Society which Miss Hill founded until two years ago. Miss Hill's idea from the first was to combine business principles with social reform. She had an exceptional talent for figures, and whenever she took over the control of any property, the matter turned out successfully. She was determined to make her philanthropy pay, and it always did so. Ruskin's capital paid interest from the first, and so enabled Miss Hill to continue purchasing property, and incur larger loans. She also taught that social economics could not be excluded from ordinary economics if the latter was to be worked to the full. Surveyors and estate agents have adopted many of Miss Hill's ideas, and within the last year a College of Estate Management has been established in Lincoln's Inn, where students of both sexes may study for the B.Sc. degree of London University. The course, however, is very expensive, and women trainees are more inclined to take the examination of the Surveyors' Institute, which is less expensive, and which has recently joined up with the Auctioneers and Estate Agents, to produce a really comprehensive course of study. Miss Jeffrey thought there would be no future for Women House Property Managers, unless these became very highly qualified in the work. There were already plenty of men in the profession, so that women would only establish themselves if they were super-excellent at their job. In 1864, Miss Hill was approached by the Ecclesias-

tical Commissioners to undertake House Management in Southwark. That work had steadily increased ever since, and to-day there were centres in Southwark, Lambeth, Walworth, Westminster, and Notting Hill. Private people also put property into the hands of Miss Hill in the Marylebone district. The housing work, under the Office of Woods and Forests, which Miss Jeffrey has been doing since 1916, has increased from one house in High Holborn to 600 houses in Regent's Park, with over 2,000 tenancies, and a population of between 5-6,000 people.

PUBLIC HALL. PRINCE OF WALES ROAD BATHS,. KENTISH TOWN. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 1922. CINDERELLA Doors open 7.30 p.m. Commence at 8 o'clock. FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL. PRIZES FOR BEST FANCY DRESS. TICKETS 1/6 EACH (TICKETS TO VIEW 6d, EACH), Refreshments at Moderate Prices.

BOOK REVIEW.

Are Temperance Reformers Cranks? Some aspects of the Drink Question. By the Viscountess Astor, M.P. (Student Christian Movement). 4d. (Can be obtained at this Office.)

This admirable little pamphlet, with some very valuable appendices, is issued at an opportune moment, inasmuch as practically every country in the world is giving the question of alcohol such close consideration as never before, whilst Great Britain in particular is to see this winter the waging of a special campaign in the interests of Temperance.

The pamphlet is divided under various headings. Under Legislation and Administration, Lady Astor pleads for political assistance in "safeguarding the community from a peculiar trade, asserting the sovereighty of the State over trusts and vested interests. and determining the limits of personal liberty." Incidentally, she points out that the Liquor Traffic in England is probably more highly and thoroughly organised for political purposes than the steel, oil, and meat trusts in America. Under the heading Economics, she points out that in 1919 the expenditure per head on drink was £8 8s.; on bread and flour only £3 11s. 8d.; and on milk only £2 14s. 4d. ; whilst the drink bill for 1920 amounted to £470,000,000. Under Education she pleads for more direct teaching on the scientific effects of alcohol, and a more widespread use in schools of the Board of Education's excellent syllabus on this subject. Under Character, she hits out shrewdly at the bogey "personal liberty," contending that civilisation inof volves a surrendering of private liberties for the sake of the community. "The Drink Problem," says Lady Astor in conclusion," is not a fiction created by the disordered minds of temperance reformers, and temperance is not a remote and rather priggish topic that is best left to fanatics and freaks. It is a problem that needs the best brains of the country as badly as any of the other allied problems; the study and thought of all intelligent men and women, the expert help of the political philosopher, the social worker, the economist, the educationist, the religious worker, and, above the energy and keenness of younger people." D.M.N

OUR NEW PAMPHLETS.

Normanton, B.A. "The Need for Women Members of Parliament,"

(Second Edition), by Mrs. How Martyn, M.Sc. 3d. "Women's Right to Work," by Miss Lind-af-Hageby 3d

- "Women and Income Tax," by Mrs. Ayres Purdie (Certified Accountant) 3d. "Race Motherhood. Is Woman the Race?" by Mrs.
- 6d. Montefiore Women Police," a short history from its inception to
- the present day WOMEN'S FREEDOM LEAGUE. "The Feminine in Fiction," by L. A. M. Priestley
 - (Mrs. George McCracken) 2/6

CAMEO LIFE SKETCHES.

' Dr. Elsie Inglis,'' by Dr. Aimée Gibbs	1	\ 4d.
'Josephine Butler," by Marion Holmes		3d.
'Lydia Becker,'' ,, ,,	•	3d.
'Frances Mary Buss,'' ,, ,,		3d.
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"The Wrongs of Married Women," by Mrs. M. W. Nevinson, J.P., LL.A.

"The New Humanism," by Laurence Housman.

Also various pamphlets and books on subjects of special interest to women.

Any books on any subject obtained to order.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS W.F.L. LONDON AND SUBURBS.



Friday, October 20th .- Mid-London Branch feeting at 144, High Holborn, at 6.30 p Saturday, October 21st, 3-5 p.m.-W Freedom League Rally, at the Minerva Cafe. Monday, October 23rd. Hampstead Branch Meeting at 53, Willow Road (by kind perof Miss Lyndon), at 3 p.m.

mission of Miss Lyndon), at 3 p.m.
wednesday, October 25th, at 3 p.m., Minerva Café, 144, High Holborn. Public
BE FREE.
Political Party? '' Should there be a Woman's Chair: Dr. Knight.
Friday, October 27th, at 6 p.m., at 144, High Holborn, W.C.1.
Organisation Sub-Committee Meeting.
Saturday. October 28th at 10 a.m. at 144. High Holborn

Organisation Sub-Committee Meeting.
Saturday, October 28th, at 10 a.m., at 144, High Holborn,
W.C.1. National Executive Committee Meeting.
Monday, October 30th, at 7 p.m.—Minerva Café, 144, High
Holborn, W.C.1. Speaker: Mr. H. C. Charleton (Prospective
Parliamentary Candidate for South Leeds). Subject: "The Policy of the Labour Party on Questions that affect all Women." Chair:

Thursday, November 2nd, at 8 p.m. Prince of Wales Road Baths,

Kentish Town. Cinderella Dance. (See notice, p. .) Wednesday, November 8th, at 3 p.m., Minerva Café, at 144, High Holborn, W.C.1. Public Meeting. Speaker : Miss Raleigh.

Subject: "St Paul's views on Dress." Friday and Saturday, November 10th and 11th.—"Green, White and Gold Fair," Central Hall, Westminster. Monday, November 20th, at 7 p.m., Minerva Café, 144, High Holborn, W.C.1. Debate on "Should Boys be Trained in House-craft and Cookery?" Affirmative, Dr. Elizabeth Sloan Chesser. Negative, Mr. E. Clephan Palmer (of the Daily News). Chair: Miss Anna Munro.

Friday, October 20th, at 7.30 p.m. Middlesbrough. Publi Meeting in the Club Room, Suffrage Rooms. Speaker : Dr Octavia Lewin. Subject : "Preventable Diseases in the Home. Chair : Councillor Schofield Coates, J.P.

Monday October 23rd, at 8 p.m.—Southend-on-Sea and District. Social, Crowstone Lower Hall, King's Road, Westcliff. Music. Competitions. Speeches. White Elephant Stall (please bring and buy). Refreshments. Tickets 1/3.

Monday, October 23rd, at 8 p.m.—St. Mary's Church Room, Defoe Road, Stoke Newington. Women Citizens' Association. Speaker: Mrs. Mustard, Subject: "Women and the Borough Council Elections." A number of local women Candidates will

Tuesday, October 24th, at 3 p.m. Mass Meeting, convened by the National Council of Women, in the Central Hall, Westminster, to consider Women's Responsibility in connection with the Problem f the Near East. Speakers : Miss Maude Royden, Miss E. Truran,

of the Near East. Speakers: Miss Maude Royden, Miss E. Truran, Mrs. George Morgan. Admission Free. *Tuesday*, October 24th, at 14. St. Quintin's Avenue, North Kensington, W. 10. Miss K. Raleigh on ''St. Paul on Dress,'' 4.30 p.m. Tea 4 p.m. (Invitations from Miss Raleigh). *Wednesday*, October 25th, at 8 p.m. Oak Room, Kingsway Hall. Women's League of Union. Speaker: Mr. Alderman Harvey (Mayor of Holborn). Subject: ''A Comparison between Moderate and Progressive Policies.'' *Monday*, October 30th, at 7 pm. A Canadian Dinner and Discussion on ''The Canadian Woman in Political Life,'' arranged by the British Dominions Women Citizens' Union, will be held at the International Women's Franchise Club, 9, Grafton Street, Piccadilly, W. 1, to meet Mrs. Rose Henderson, of Canada. Chair: F. W. Pethick Lawrence, Esq. Tickets 3/6 each, obtainable not later than October 26th, from Miss Daisy D. Solomon, 64, Pattison Road, N.W. 2.

COUNCILLOR MRS. SCHOFIELD COATES, J.P.

Councillor Mrs. Schofield Coates, J.P., is again standing in he Ayresome Ward for election to the Middlesbrough Town Council. She has served that Council well for the last three ears, and on every possible occasion has put up a gallant fight or the interests of women employed by it. We trust that at any ate the women in the Ayresome Ward will vote solidly for her, and we send Mrs. Schofield Coates our best wishes for her

Women's Freedom League Rally of Members and Friends. Women's Freedom League Rally of Members and Friends. —Members and friends of the Women's Freedom League are cordially invited to the Rally to be held in the Minerva Café, 144, High Holborn, W.C.1, on Saturday, October 21st, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Impromptu speeches, for which lots will be drawn, with questions from the audience, will be the order of the afternoon. Representatives from London stall-holders will be present to receive gifts for their own particular stalls at our Green, White, and Gold Fair, and Dr. Knight will gladly welome gifts for other stalls. Tea and biscuits will be served at moderate prices, and there will be a collection to cover the expenses of the meeting, which will be a thoroughly enjoyable one. Readers of THE VOTE are specially asked to come to this Rally and bring a friend each.

held in the Femperance Hall, which was crowded by women electors, of whom there are seventeen thousand in the constitu-ency. It was recognised that women held the key of the position. M.P.s Refuse to Reduce their Salaries.

It is reported from Melbourne that the Bill presented by Mr. Highes to reduce the salaries of members to ξ 800 per annum, with a proviso that an extra \pounds 100 be paid to certain members, was last week rejected in the House of Representatives by 35 votes to 26. The present salary of members of the Federal Parliament is \pounds 1,000 a year.

On November 8th, at the Central Hall, Westminster, at 8 o'clock, the Women's Freedom League is co-operating with the National Union of Societies for Equal Citizenship in holding a big Mass Demonstration to demand Equal Franchise for men and women. Miss Eleanor Rathbone, C.C., J.P., will be in the Chair, and the list of speakers will include Miss Margaret Bond-field, J.P., Lady Bonham-Carter, Mrs. Henry Fawcett, J.P., Miss Daisy Richardson, Miss Maude Royden, and Mrs. Wintring-ham, M.P. The presence of such a platform shows that the demand for Equal Franchise is becoming a real and insistent one. It is not always realised that six million women are still unen franchised, and that these women constitute for the most part It is not aways realised that six minion women are still then franchised, and that these women constitute for the most part those who are engaged in industry and the professions. It is hoped, therefore, that a large number, both men and women, will attend this meeting. Admission is free; reserved tickets, 5/-, 2/6, and 1/-; obtainable from the Women's Freedom League, 144, High-Holborn, W.C.1.

A Monster Rummage Sale will be held in the Congreational Schoolroom, Newtown, on Saturday, November 25th. I hope all friends, members, and sympathisers of the Women's Freedom League will bring all the contribu-tions they can towards this Sale, which is being organised in aid of Headquarters Fund. I shall be in London from October 27th-31st, and anything will be gratefully received at 144, High Holborn, W.C.

A Members' Meeting was held at the Hempsted Street Adult School on Thursday afternoon, October 12th. Mrs. Bankes pre-sided, and Miss Edith Kirby gave a very interesting address on "Domestic Politics and Women." The next meeting at Ashford will be held at the end of November, when Dr. Lillias Hamilton will speak on "Food Production and its National Importance." S.E. BRANCHES STALL—The contributions to the Christmas Teres and Stall are detaining to arrive. Special thanks are due

BEXHILL. Dr. Octavia Lewin lectured on "Health through Sneezing," at the Wesleyan Schoolroom, Belle Hill, on Monday afternoon, October 9th. There were 60 women present, who appeared very interested in the lecture, and asked Dr. Lewin a number of ques-tions at the close of her speech. Mrs. Goldsmith presided. Dr. Lewin addressed the Sisterhood in the evening at the Victoria Hall. There was a large number present. There was a large number present.



OTHER SOCIETIES.

BRANCH NOTES.

S.E. DRANCHES STALL—The contributions to the Christmas Tree and Stall are beginning to arrive. Special thanks are due to Mrs. C. Bentinck for a donation of $\pounds 1$; Lady Henniker Heaton, ros.; Beshill Members, toys, decorations, sweets, fancy goods, etc. Miss Isabel Blackman, a Hastings member, has very kindly consented to act as a fortune-teller at the Fair.

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CROSBY, LIVERPOOL.

A public meeting, organised by the Crosby branch of the Women's Freedom League, was held at the Congregational Church Hall, Crosby, on October 11th, and some interesting speeches on the educational set-back were delivered. Copies of the resolution : "That this meeting deplores the present tendencies to hinder educational progress, and maintains that the interests of the whole community demand from the Government a sound and progressive educational policy," have been sent to the Premier, Mr. Fisher, and the local Member of Parliament. (Hon. Sec.) MISS D. GARNOLL, 49, Kimberley Drive.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Position of the Married Woman Worker.

Speaking at a week-end school in the Golf Hotel, Elie, held by the Edinburgh Society of Equal Citizenship, Dr. Aimée Gibbs criticised the tendency to dismiss married women from Employ-ment. Criticism, she said, was levelled at married women who worked, that they should stay at home and look after their worked, that they should stay at home and look after their children, but it was never heard against women who spent their time in society enjoying themselves, and who very often had to leave their children altogether for others to look after. It was a loss to the community where married women who had special training and experience were compelled to give up their work.

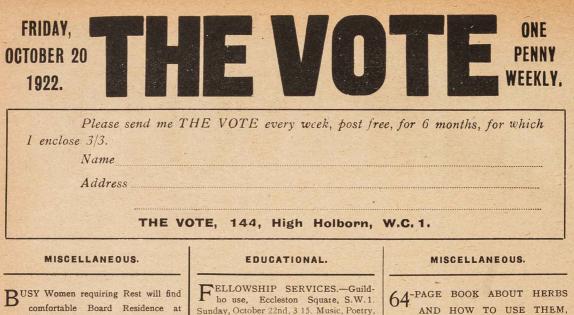
Newport By-Election.

The Times reports that last Friday, under the presidency of Professor Barbara Foxley, of Cardiff, the three candidates (Con-servative, Liberal, and Labour) were interrogated separately by the members of the Women's Citizens' Association, an influential body representative of all shades of opinion. The meeting was

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