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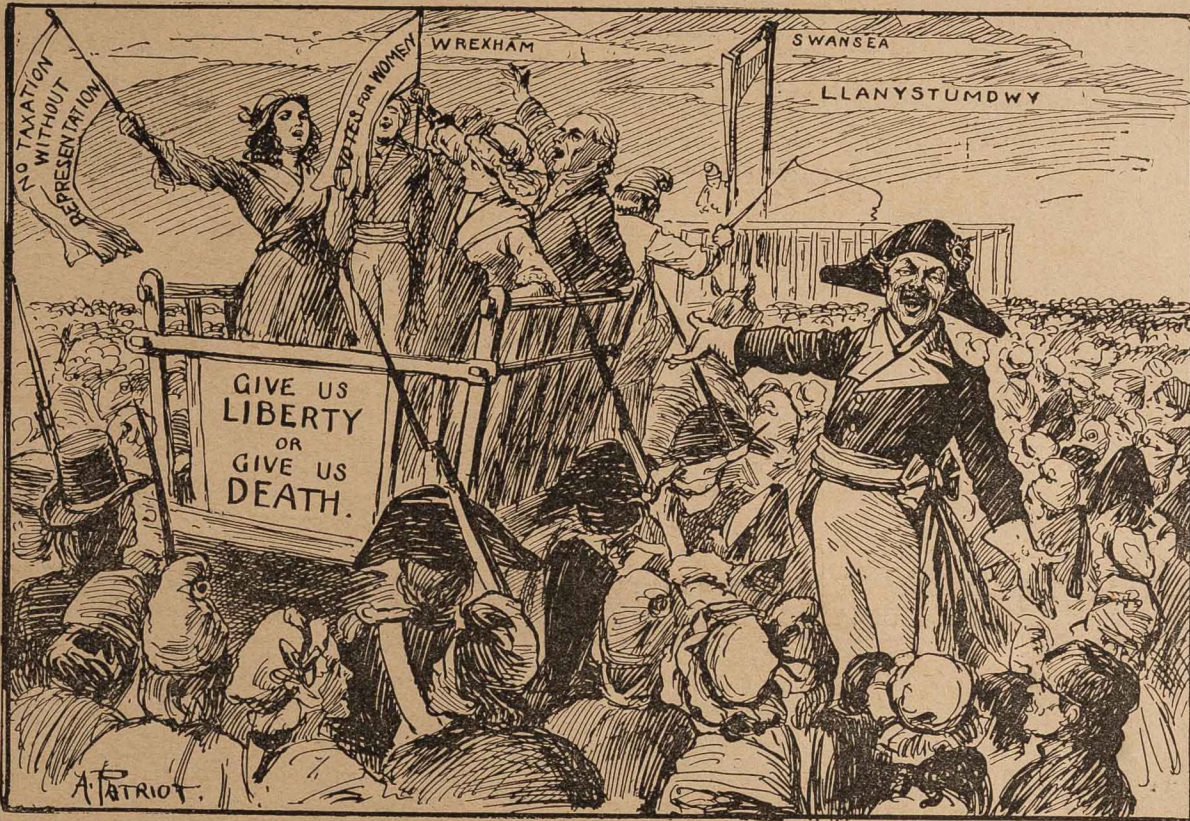
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FREE TUMBRILS FOR SUFFRAGETTES



CONDEMNED SUFFRAGETTES (singing the Marseillaise): "To Freedom's cause till death, we swear our fealty!"
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(Mr. Zangwill, referring in a speech to Mr. Lloyd George's remark that the Suffragists thrown out of his meeting had their railway fares paid for them, said it was as though the French Revolutionists had consoled their victims by telling them they would have free tumbrils to the guillotine.)

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To the brave women who to-day are fighting for freedom: to the noble women who all down the ages kept the flag flying and looked forward to this day without seeing it: to all women all over the world, of whatever race, or creed, or calling, whether they be with us or against us in this fight, we dedicate this paper.

THE OUTLOOK

Private Members of the House of Commons will have another chance next week of showing of what material their pledges are made. On Monday or Tuesday the vote on Mr. Philip Snowden's Woman Suffrage Amendment to the Home Rule Bill will be taken; and Ministerialists will have placed before them the alternative of breaking faith with women

or of coming into conflict with the wishes of the Government. If they fail women, once again on this occasion, surely the last flickering hope which some women still see in the private Member and his pledged word will have died out! On page 68 will be found a special interview with Mr. Snowden, and the nature and prospects of the amendment are further discussed in our leading article.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald's Defence

A frantic effort has been made by the Labour Party in the House of Commons to prove that it is doing its duty by women, and that the hostile attitude towards it of the W.S.P.U. is wholly unreasonable. "When you have a bad case slang your opponent" is a well-known rule of controversy; and how bad Mr. Ramsay Macdonald's case must be may therefore be judged by reading his fulminations against the Women's Social and Political Union, extracts from which we print on page 76. The question at issue is whether the policy being pursued by the Labour M.P.'s is right or wrong. The question of the constitution of the W.S.P.U. is entirely irrelevant.

The Policy of the Labour Party

Now what are the facts? The Labour Party has been returned to the House of Commons pledged, among other things, to Woman Suffrage. It finds

itself an integral part of the Coalition, the other two sections of which are the Liberal and Nationalist Parties. In each of these two sections there is a majority of individual Members pledged to Woman Suffrage, yet for their own purposes the leaders of the Liberal and Nationalist Parties claim the right to block Woman Suffrage, the Nationalists frankly stating that they are prepared to vote solid against it solely in the interests of Home Rule. In these circumstances the Labour Party have a plain duty to perform. Being individually united on the principle of Woman Suffrage, they ought as a solid Party to deliver an ultimatum to their colleagues of the Coalition; in this ultimatum they ought to make it clear that they are not prepared to allow the principles for which they stand to be subordinated to the interests of their colleagues, and that unless the two can be reconciled their support of the Coalition is at an end. This course they have refused to take, and in consequence they have become merely the tail of the Liberal dog, to be wagged to the right or the left as the dog wills. We are convinced that such a policy does not commend itself to those who have sent them to the House of Commons to make a fight for their principles.

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Her childhood was passed in the Middle Ages; in a community of Jews who were despised and oppressed, who were ground down by unjust laws, who lived in fear of massacre, and to whom the Christian Cross was the dread symbol of cruelty and intolerance. This little set, allowed only to live in certain districts, and bound together by common sorrow, followed strictly the Jewish ritual, and believed study of the Mosaic books to be the only learning. For the schooling of her boys the Jewish mother borrowed and begged, pawned and starved, and often carried her boy to school barefoot in the snow. The girls were not taught, as a rule, and although Mary Antin's father had more liberal ideas, her little bit of education was cut short by misfortune and poverty. At last some harder oppression than usual led her father's thoughts to America; and after three years of struggle and poverty his family received from him the money wherewith to join him. At a stroke fate cut the cords that bound Mary Antin, little, living, pulsating, thinking child of twelve, to the sad and hopeless fate of her ancestors, and she became a citizen of that great republic which gives opportunities to all.

So at last I was going to America! Really, really going at last. The boundaries burst. The arch of heaven seemed to rise. A million suns shone out for every star. The winds rushed in from outer space, roaring in my ears, 'America! America!'

The woman who wrote that, the child who felt it, was ready for the golden chance that America holds out. Although poverty lingered long, although dirt and squalor and ugliness were the externals, the spirit had to rise triumphant. The girl to whom learning was denied in Russia finds it free and waiting her in America; from elementary school to college the way is open, and she walks it fearlessly.

Her impressions of America give us a clearer picture of that land than a dozen guidebooks. In America then everything was free. Light was free. Music was free. Education was free.

No application made, no questions asked, no examinations, rulings, exclusions; no machinations, no fees. The doors stood open for every one of us. The smallest child could show us the way.

We are told of her first essay written in English at the age of twelve; her "poem" on George Washington which she took to an editor and which was printed—though not across the front page, as she had hoped; her attempt at canvassing for newspaper subscriptions, and through it all we see the shining, living soul that strove towards the light and found it.

The book is a marvellous human record; it may be, as Mary Antin says, the story of many unwritten lives, but only she could have written it. "The endless ages have indeed throbbled through my blood, but a new rhythm dances in my veins. The past was only my cradle."

No, it is not I that belong to the past, but the past that belongs to me. I am the youngest of America's children, and into my hands is given all her priceless heritage, to the last white star espied through the telescope, to the last great thought of the philosopher. Mine is the whole majestic past and mine is the shining future."

• Heinemann. Price 7s. 6d. net.

THE RELIGIOUS ASPECT

During the month of June last a series of addresses was given in the Queen's Hall, London, on the religious aspect of the Woman's Movement. These addresses, with the full proceedings of the meetings, have now been published in pamphlet form. As the two most noteworthy and striking speeches we would single out those of Miss Royden and the Bishop of Oxford. In referring to the movement as "freedom for women in self-realisation," Dr. Gore shows that he understands and sympathises with the realities of this great fight. Miss Maud Royden, speaking of the social evil, with a fine scorn asks those who say that there must be a class of outcasts, how they can think that chastity bought at such a terrible price can be a virtue in the eyes of the Spirit of Truth? She continues in a vein which is refreshing and vigorous. The whole makes an excellent pamphlet, which should do much to bring religious people who do not yet know the movement into closer touch and understanding of it.

"The Religious Aspect of the Woman's Movement." (Published by the Collegium. Temp. address, 292, Evering Road, Clapton, N.) To be obtained from the Woman's Press, 156, Charing Cross Road, W.C. Price 6d.

BOOKS RECEIVED

"Woman and To-morrow." By W. L. George. (London: Herbert Jenkins. Price, 2s. 6d. net.)
"The Story of Newnham College." By I. B. J. Sollas. (Cambridge: W. Heffer and Sons, Ltd. Price, 3d. net.)
"The Light Side of London." By E. B. D'Arvergne. (T. Werner Laurie, Ltd., Clifford's Inn, E.C. Price, 6s. net.)
"The Wooing of Mifanvy." By Edith C. Kenyon. (London: Holden and Hardingham. Price, 6s.)
"Lloyd George's Support Party." By the Member for Britain. (London: Simpkin, Hamilton, Kent, and Co., Ltd. Price, 1s.)
"The Men's League Handbook on Women's Suffrage." (London: The Men's League for Women's Suffrage. Price, 6d. net.)

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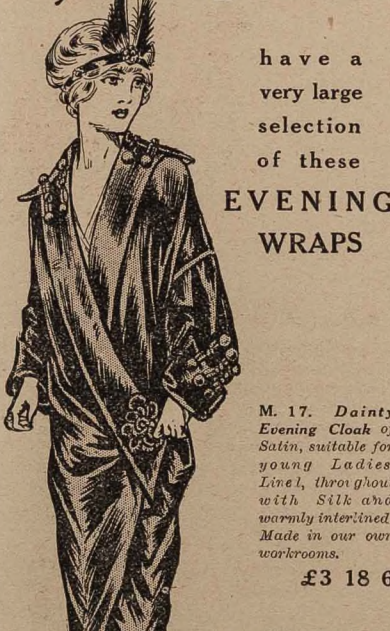


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The problem of unemployment, to be rightly understood, must be studied in all its many aspects, for it does not arise by any means from one cause only. Among the diversity of causes at work none is more potent than child labour, and the authors of "English Apprenticeship and Child Labour" have gone as far back into history as they can reach, confining themselves to this one aspect of industrial life in its various phases and manifestations.

First of all we are given the rise of apprenticeship, and the formation of the various guilds to protect trades and industries which were such potent factors in the turning out of the finished workmen of the middle-ages. The authors point out that it is an error to suppose that the extensive employment of women and girls in other than domestic work is a feature peculiar to our own time. On the contrary, female labour in agricultural and industrial occupations appears to have been at all times very great, both in volume and area. We are told that in the year 1864, when the London needle-makers were over-supplied with labour, they cast about for means of limiting their hands, and they hit upon the brilliant device of discovering that "Women made bad and insufficient needles by reason of the weakness of their sex." The authors dryly comment on this by remarking that it is doubtful if women would have been found so weak if it had not been that they were competing with men for the trade of the City!

Another little sidelight illuminates the history of the difficulties that women have had to contend with in getting a just valuation put upon their work. The craftsman was bound to give his boy apprentices seven years' proper training, at the end of which time, if the lads proved efficient, they became legally qualified to practice a trade which carried with it other rights according to the customs of the city to which they belonged. On the other hand, the craftsmen were allowed to utilise the work of their wives and daughters without going to the trouble and expense of apprenticing them, and of this privilege they naturally took considerable advantage, with the consequence that girls were seldom legally qualified to attain the rank of independent craftsmen and mistresses. These facts are extremely enlightening, and they put a very different complexion on the gibe so often thrown out at women that they have so little distinguished themselves in branches of activity open to them.

The decline of apprenticeship, owing to various causes clearly set forth in this book, began in the eighteenth century, and it seems to have come finally to an end in the nineteenth, when a new order came into being, that of Child Labour, bringing in its train all those horrible abuses and sufferings so valiantly attacked by Robert Owen and Lord Shaftesbury. This problem, however, is by no means done with, for though the horrors of Child Labour, as it then existed, are happily things of the past, we still have the problem in the form of juvenile labour as it affects the after life of the individual. In the case of boys in particular, their first form of employment other than for nothing, and they drift into the large army of casuals and unemployables. This question, like every other, must occupy the minds of thinking women, for the whole subject is a potent cause of race deterioration, and it needs to be faced and seriously thought out.

The book under discussion is a most sincere and painstaking effort to throw light on every aspect of the question from every available historical source. It is interestingly written and copiously supplied with notes and references. We can heartily recommend it, not only to those who are making a special study of these questions, but to all who are interested in the various problems that beset our age; for the ultimate solution of them all is the welfare of the race, and that welfare can only be successfully accomplished by a judicious training and preparation of the future citizen for the part he or she is to play in life. K. D. S.

* "English Apprenticeship and Child Labour." A History by Jocelyn Dunlop and R. D. Denman, M.P. (London: Fisher Unwin.)

"CAPTAIN BRASSBOUND"

We gather that in writing "The Conversion of Captain Brassbound," now being played at the Little Theatre, Mr. Bernard Shaw was influenced by two remarkable personalities, Miss Mary Kingsley and Mr. Cunningham Graham. There is only one woman in the play, and the psychological interest centres in her methods of smoothing her own and other people's paths in life by her sheer eagerness to see good in everyone and everything, and by her determination to treat every individual she meets, good, bad, or indifferent, as a human being. All who are familiar with this very amusing play know how these qualities lead Lady Cicely Waynflete into difficulties, and how cleverly she extricates herself from them, and to those who are not familiar with the play we say: "Book seats immediately at the Little Theatre, and see how charmingly Miss Gertrude Kingston plays the part!" Having carefully explained that Mr. Cunningham Graham is not the hero of the play, Mr. Shaw characteristically devotes several pages of his notes in the book of the words (Constable, 2s.), to a study of that wonderful combination of Scottish laird and Spanish Hidalgo, and leaves us to make what we like of it. Captain Brassbound himself is, however, eclipsed in sheer human interest by Felix Drinkwater, that inimitable product of the Waterloo Road, of whom "Nature, a Board School education, and some kerstone practice" have made something of an orator. Several of the other characters, needless to remind our readers, seem to have stepped bodily from the Arabian Nights into the Shavian brain, and that they are all delightful goes without saying.

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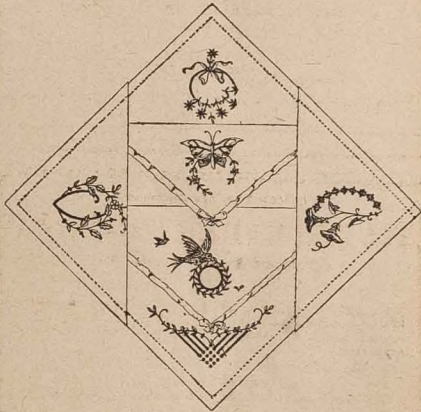
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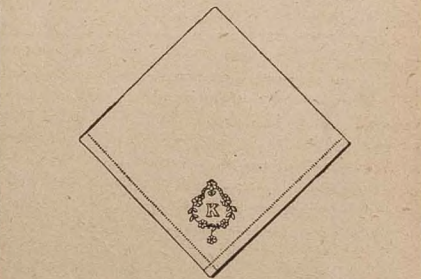
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MEN'S INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

The first congress of the Men's International Alliance for Woman Suffrage has been held during the week in London.

Mr. Israel Zangwill was in his usual delightful vein at the dinner arranged by the Men's League for the Men's International Woman Suffrage Alliance on Wednesday in last week.

As can be gathered from the form of this resolution, the economic side of the Woman Suffrage movement was the one that chiefly occupied the conferences of the Alliance.

That this congress looks to the political sections of all Parliaments to use whatever voting power and influence that they have or may have to force the Government to grant the citizen rights on equal terms to men and women.

The meetings were, however, full of a certain kind of interest, and some excellent speeches were made showing the connection between the political disability of women and such problems as the White Slave Traffic, sweating, and infantile mortality.

Some interesting resolutions were passed emphasising this connection, and pointing out further such significant facts as that, in Australia, where women have long had the vote, the general and infantile mortality figures are the lowest in the world, and that where the woman's vote is in operation the White Slave Trade has been greatly reduced.

In spite of the tendency of this, as of all international conferences, to avoid matters infringing on practical politics which might wound the sensitive political feelings of those present, some allusions were made in the course of debate to the militant suffrage movement in England.

At the farwell banquet given to the foreign delegates to the Men's International Congress, Lord Lytton, in proposing the toast of the evening, asked what was to be thought of a Government which, after years of agitation, not only perpetrated but aggravated the intolerable injustice under which women suffered.

with fairness, or even accuracy, to the Conference. However, as many of the delegates attended the W.S.P.U. meeting at the London Pavilion on Monday afternoon, it is to be conjectured that they did not leave this country without forming some estimate of the reasons for the recent outbreaks of militancy in Great Britain.

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It was the question he himself was putting to all the men whom he saw that night. He was glad to realise that, though women were in the front of the battle, a great deal of help had been rendered by men, many of whom had suffered physical injury because they had insisted upon putting questions to Mr. Lloyd George at his meetings.

Other speakers at the dinner told of the progress that was being made in Woman Suffrage in other countries, and expressed their conviction of the unity of the Woman Suffrage cause in every part of the world.

Lord Lytton on the Militant Disorders

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WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN DENMARK

In Denmark, where woman "counts" probably more than in most countries where women are still unfranchised, the Government has placed Woman Suffrage upon its programme, and has just introduced a Constitutional Reform Bill into the Folkething which proposes to give political rights to women on equal terms with men.

COMING EVENTS

Mr. Pethick Lawrence has been asked to fulfil his engagement to speak at Newport on Wednesday, November 6, and has consented to do so. He will also speak at Pontypool on the same date, at Barry on Thursday, November 7, at Leeds on Tuesday, November 19 (for the M.P.U.), and at Halifax on Thursday, December 5.

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence will speak at Knebworth on Thursday, November 7.

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MISS MARGARET MORRIS

system of his she based her dances, all of which are her own invention, though each pose in them has its counterpart in some known classic drawing or design.

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The first night was a triumphant success, and one left the Court Theatre with mental visions of exquisite colour-pictures in strange contrast with the mud and rain outside!

Miss Margaret Morris has been in the profession herself since the age of eight, when she appeared in a Plymouth pantomime. Then she joined Mr. Ben Greet's company, playing Puck when only ten years old, and remained with him until he went to America; later she joined the Benson company.

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THE LABOUR PARTY AND WOMAN SUFFRAGE

The determination of the Women's Social and Political Union to oppose the Labour election policy...

In our last issue we printed a letter from Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald to the Labour Women's League...

To the Editor of "The Daily Citizen."

Sir.—The Suffrage Committee of the Fabian Society (women's group) have read Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's letter in your issue of the 19th inst. with a sense of deep disappointment...

The letter to which we have referred contains merely vague promises of good intentions on the part of the Labour Party...

We regret, moreover, your failure to point out that the hostile attitude of the Irish can only be explained by the fact that the Government, contrary to their pledge...

CHARLOTTE M. WILSON.

In a letter to the Daily Citizen discussing the new W.S.P.U. election policy, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, after attacking the actual constitution and personnel of the Union...

The whole conception of the thing is tragic-comedy. It seems to be a cynical skit on the mind of women, devised by some imp of a person who holds woman in low esteem...

That cause, two or three years ago, was on the point of success. To-day it has to be saved by the most patient and careful action which its friends can devise...

blessings which it can bring to the common people, this Union, this army with its commanding generals and its obeying members alone is responsible.

Fortunately, since the effects of this propaganda became apparent, and those women's organisations which sat on the fence for so long have seen what was happening, the cause of Women's Suffrage is reviving, and before it has to be settled...

A great deal of controversy has been provoked by this attack upon the W.S.P.U. and we select the following extracts from Miss M. A. Tucker's excellent letter which also appeared in the Daily Citizen:—

It would be interesting to know how many men in the House really believe that if militancy were to cease women would be given the vote!

If Mr. Ellis Griffith, then, and Mr. F. D. Acland will expound clearly as man to man (and not as man to woman!) how they reconcile their robust faith in the passing of an amendment...

We regret, moreover, your failure to point out that the hostile attitude of the Irish can only be explained by the fact that the Government, contrary to their pledge...

On behalf of the Suffrage Committee of the Fabian Women's Group,

Luckily the Irish members are not sentimentalists, and their motives are at least intelligible. They will not vote on militancy or even on the merits of the question. They will vote solely in the interests of Home Rule.

The Labour Party cannot meet this by saying gently, "We shall be very angry, we shall think it a dirty trick, but of course we shall always go on voting with the Coalition..."

in its turn must, in its own way and by its own counsel, discharge its debt of honour to women.

MR. LANSBURY'S RESIGNATION

The Daily Herald has published a strong and courageous commentary on the rumour of Mr. Lansbury's resignation, which has appeared in a morning newspaper.

Mr. Lansbury certainly is contemplating resigning, says the Daily Herald, but it is from the Labour Party, and not from Parliament that he contemplates resignation.

When the Independent Labour Party passed a resolution threatening vigorous opposition to the Reform Bill, unless it was extended so as to give votes to women as well as men, Lansbury naturally thought they meant what they said.

The Liberals will gladly give votes to women if that is the price to be paid for keeping in office.

The women are perfectly justified in opposing the Labour Party, because they have been downright dishonest in this matter, and Mr. Lansbury will deserve the contempt which he does not straightaway dissociate himself from the Labour Group.

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House of Commons "Morass."

Mr. Lawrence spoke very strongly in support of militancy. He declared that the House of Commons was one morass of intrigue and double-dealing on this question. There had been trickery, humbug, and sharp practice, when there had not been absolute lying and deceit.

He gloried in the window-smashing of last March. As long as the women were subjected to merely ordinary ill-usage, they were content to go on with their deputations to the Prime Minister.

Mr. Lawrence's resolution "condemning the Government for introducing a Franchise Bill for men only, repudiating the sham pledges by which the Government are trying to trick the advocates of votes for women, protesting against the Government which is guilty of such a policy being kept in power by the aid of Labour votes, and calling upon the Labour members of Parliament to vote constantly and relentlessly against the Government from now onwards until they have either driven them from office or compelled them to introduce and carry a proposal giving votes to women on the same terms as men."

He referred to his own imprisonment in connection with the affair, and described forcibly his feelings as not a means of keeping life intact, but simply a means of torture. He was also ordered to pay the costs, and while he was away in Canada the Government burgled his house in order to take the money which he could not pay.

He called upon women to stand shoulder to shoulder in this fight, and not to criticise those who were forcing the pace. On this question of criticism he considered he had a special right to speak. A few weeks ago the very last thought in the mind of his wife and himself would have been that when he stood there he would not be associated with the Union, for that Union had been to them like their own flesh and blood.

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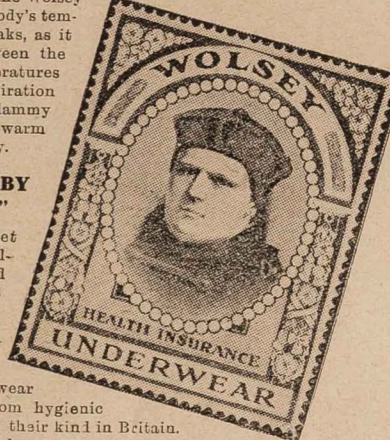
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THE WOMEN'S MARCH

"The Brown Women," as they have come to be known...

"One of the Marchers" wrote on Sunday last "We are spending Sunday in the peaceful old country town Easingwold..."

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"The party left York on Tuesday for Selby, the programme being Doncaster (Wednesday, October 30), Bawtry (Thursday, October 31), Retford (to-day, Friday, November 1)..."

"Mrs. De Fonblanque has sent the following letter to Mr. Asquith: "Sir—You are no doubt aware that a band of women marchers is coming from Edinburgh to London with a petition..."

"At Mrs. Chapman's special request the reception at the Medical Society's Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, at 8.45 p.m., on Monday, November 18, will take the form of a welcome to Mrs. de Fonblanque and the marchers..."

MORALITY PLAY SOCIETY

"The Morality Play Society, which last year produced under Mrs. Percy Dearmer's management her play, 'The Soul of the World,' is now rehearsing a new play by the same author, 'The Dreamer.'"

"Our readers will sympathize very deeply with Mrs. Pertwee in the loss of her husband, who died last week after an operation. Mrs. Pertwee, who, with her sisters, Miss Eva Moore, Miss Decima Moore, and Miss Ada Moore, has worked so long and so gallantly for the Suffrage cause, will continue her work of organising the matinees to be held by the Actresses Franchise League on November 29, but will not for the present fulfil any speaking engagements."

A LABOUR MEMBER HECKLED

"Mr. Philip Snowden was subjected to a running fire of criticism during his speech at a meeting convened by the Men's International Alliance for Woman Suffrage, at the Portman Rooms, on October 29."

MISS WYLIE IN CANADA

"Miss Barbara Wylie's visit to Canada continues to excite great interest in the Press, and the Toronto papers are devoting columns to interviews with her."

"She is one of those tall, intellectual, aristocratic-looking Englishwomen with the real thing in the way of accents and a Made-in-England hat. A stone-thrower and a hunger-striker by her own confession, the militant missionary would throw with precision and strike after due consideration. Personally I would not have her aim being as good as her intentions."

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THE LLANYSTUMDWY OUTRAGE

"In the House of Commons on Tuesday Major Archer-Shee asked if the police at Llanystumdwy had yet arrested any of the persons who assaulted the Suffragettes during the recent meetings addressed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer."

"MEDICAL WOMAN TAX RESISTER The Women's Tax Resistance League held a meeting on Wednesday last week to protest against the conviction of Dr. Elizabeth Knight, in consequence of her refusing to pay her dog licence."

"To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN. Dear Editors.—Will you allow me to announce through your columns that I have retired from the W.S.P.U., and that therefore my engagements to speak are all cancelled.—Yours, etc., JANE E. M. BRILLFORD."

"To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN. Dear Editors.—May I heartily endorse 'C. J.'s' letter in your last issue. If you have not received thousands of letters like mine it is only because the ideas it expresses are so obvious and universally entertained that it has not occurred to people to express them.—Yours, etc., M. B. HANSON."

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WOMEN AND THE WAR

Irish Nationalists will show that, like their ancestors, they wish to take their women into consultation."

Woman Spy Shot

It is stated that several Turkish spies have been shot under martial law, and that among them was a woman.—Central News.

At Sofia

In the more peaceful aspects of life, too, the same care in making provision to supply all deficiencies is seen. Old women are acting as scavengers in the street, and doing their work carefully and conscientiously, if not with any surprising display of agility.—Westminster Gazette.

At Belgrade

In the course of a despatch from Belgrade to the Daily Express, Miss Annie Christitch writes: "Serbians are not a church-going people by any means. 'God keep Serbia' is a popular saying, and the churches are left to take care of themselves on Sundays. But now they are daily packed to overflowing with mothers, wives, daughters, and sisters. Prayer is the only weapon left to the women. Numbers of them are acting as volunteers at the War Office, but they were rejected, and so they returned home to the greater heroism of silent watching. These Serbian women are heroines. There are no scenes, no weeping, no protests as they bid farewell to their dear ones off to the front."

A Classic Parallel

We are reminded, reading the above, of the account given by Plutarch of the successful mediation of the Celtic women in Italy. "The women," he says, "placing themselves between the armies, took up the controversies, argued them so accurately and determined them so impartially that an admirable friendly concord and general amity ensued, both civil and domestic. Hence the Celts made it their practice to take women into consultation about peace or war, and to use them as mediators in any controversies that arose between them and their allies."

During the past weeks the women and

girls of Belgrade have been busy with sewing and courses in first aid and in nursing, and their voluntary services have also been accepted in Government offices and in the postal administration."

"One of them [the wounded Servians] told me a touching story of a Serbian Joan of Arc—a beautiful Belgrade girl of good family—Sophia Yovanovitch, by name. Stirred by the wave of patriotism which was sweeping through the country, she dressed herself in man's clothing and joined a band of volunteers near Merdari. Her sex remained undiscovered until after the first battle, in which she fought with heroic courage. We thought she must be a woman because she was so tender to the wounded," my informant said simply. "And now she has been allowed to remain with the band, not as a soldier, but as a nurse."

"Nearly all the young women of Serbia have joined the Red Cross Service, and are everywhere showing magnificent devotion to their country and their men.—Mr. George Renwick in the Daily Chronicle.

From Montenegro

Major E. H. Richardson, who has just returned from a visit to Montenegro, has given an account of his experiences to a morning paper, in the course of which he says:—

"I saw another ward [in the hospital at Cetinje] I saw a young woman lying in a cot seriously wounded. An attendant told me that she had been hit by shrapnel while carrying provisions to her husband in the firing line. The bravery of the Montenegrin women is unequalled. All the young women, the wives and sweethearts of the soldiers, have gone to the front, and they carry the provisions, do the cooking, wash the linen. The Montenegrins have no Army Service Corps, the men declaring that their regard for fighting as the only duty of a soldier, and as there is no transport, the troops are unable to move many miles from the base. All the transport work is done by women, and it is estimated that 5,000 women went to the front."

"On the way, passing over a high mountain road, he said, 'I heard rising from the valley beneath a long-drawn-out wailing sound. It was the women of the village "keening" for their menfolk who had been slain in battle. The sound of their sorrowing rolled up from the valley, and was most heart-breaking to listen to in the clear morning air.'"

"Numbers of Montenegrin women, wearing the long, sleeveless coat and carrying heavy loads—for it is the women who form the real commissariat department of the army—pass along the streets, their ranks broken now and then at the creaking of an old-time ox-cart, with wheels 4ft. high, or at the hooting of the most modern motor-car. The women, too, are not behind the men, and, accustomed as they are in ordinary times of peace to the carrying of heavy loads, it is they who take the food to their husbands and brothers at the front.—The Times.

A Small Enemy

"The Evening Standard quotes an amusing story from the Journal of a little Turkish girl who was brought a prisoner into the Bulgarian camp. The following dialogue took place between her and the General:—

"What are the Turks doing now in their position?" "Impatiently expecting you," was the reply. "Well, but what do you want to do here?"

"I don't want to do anything here; I want to do everything for the Turks." "Do you know how many Turks there are in the neighbourhood?" "I believe there are enough to send you flying. But you will soon meet them, and then you can count for yourself."

"Have the Turks enough to eat?" "Why, of course, or they would be dying of hunger!"

"The Bulgarian General sent the small enemy back to her village."

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