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VOTELESS BRITISH WOMAN: "The War has brought him a vote. It has brought me only unemployment." (Numbers of foreign residents have become naturalised British citizens sooner than return to their own country to fight. They have thus acquired the right to vote on our Imperial affairs while British born women, mothers and wives of British soldiers and sailors who are dying for the Empire, continue voteless.)

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DEDICATION 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

Parliament reassembled last Monday, and several emergency Bills, rendered necessary by the extraordipary situation created through the war, were at once introduced into the House of Commons, and will doubtless be rushed into law without delay or obstruction. A suggestion has also been made, which will probably be carried into effect, to bring in a measure to prevent the disfranchisement of those who may be forced, through distress caused by the war, to apply for poor relief.

Emergency Electoral Reform

find time, if they have the will, to introduce and carry measures affecting the electoral laws of the country. Last week we commented on the Act which was passed to enable soldiers, who had left to join the colours, to register as electors by proxy. Women will naturally want to know why, if it is possible to pass emergency Acts in war time, merely to safeguard the interests of those who already have votes, it should not be equally possible to carry into law an emer-gency measure to give votes to women, who are also bearing their full share of the burden and tragedy of the war, and who are intimately affected by some of the Bills now being passed into law, especially those concerning finance, temperance, and the feed-ing of children. We deal further with this matter in our leading article.

The Naturalised Voter

While women remain unrecognised as citizens, though their efforts on behalf of their country at time of crisis are untiring, many men, whose patriotism certainly cannot be placed on a higher level than theirs, are now being added to the electorate. We refer to those foreigners resident among us who, as "A Patriot" cleverly depicts in our cartoon this week, have become naturalised Britons rather than return to their own country at this juncture. These strangers of alien birth will therefore have a voice in controlling the affairs of the nation Thus it appears that the Government can always and the Empire, while British women are passed over

as unfit to exercise the vote. Surely, this consideration alone, rendered infinitely more acute through the exigencies of war, should be sufficient to justify the Government in passing a measure of woman suffrage without delay !

W.S.P.U. Prisoners in Ireland

We learn from the *Irish Citizen* that the amnesty granted to political prisoners in England and Scotland was not held to apply in Ireland, and that unspeakable indignities and most unnecessary suffering have been in consequence imposed upon the four militant suffragists, Mrs. Metge, Miss Evans, Miss Wickham and Miss Carson, who were hunger-striking in Belfast Gaol at the time when their colleagues over here were released unconditionally, We understand that they are now free and are not being molested further by the authorities; and we conclude that all proceedings will be dropped against them. But it is a scandal that the amnesty should not have been applied to them in the first instance. The released English and Scottish prisoners, we are informed, are making a very slow road to recovery, and it will be long before they get over the effects of the terrible torture of forcible feeding inflicted upon them.

The War and Unemployment

So much unemployment through the war is being caused among women-who have not, like men, the alternative of enlistment-that we welcome every

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attempt to avoid the irony of creating fresh suffer-ing through ill-conceived measures of relief. In order to prevent the displacement of paid women workers by volunteers in connection with the National Relief Fund, a Committee on Women's Employment has been formed at the instigation of Queen Mary, of which such members as Miss Mac-arthur and Miss Susan Lawrence serve to indicate the soundness and capability. The same spirit is shown in a letter to the Press, signed, among others, shown in a letter to the Press, signed, among others, shown in a letter to the Press, signed, among others, by Miss Margaret Ashton, Mrs. Sidney Webb and Miss Llewelyn Davies, in which they enter a protest beyond the point in their lives at which she has lef against the action of the Local Government Board | this one. in recommending the employment of voluntary help in the work of distress committees. This determination among women to safeguard the interests of their working sisters (almost unheard of at the time of the

Association, waiting to be used. We hope next week

Association, waiting to be used. We hope next week to give some account of the adventures of the two medical women who tried, without success, to get to the scat of war. **Exercise the Flag Flying** We have been much encouraged in our determina-tion to keep the suffrage flag flying throughout the war. United Suffragists from all parts write to congratulate us on our loyalty to the cause, and beg us to carry through our resolution. This will depend poper going in a time of national upheaval requires both money and service. But it is splendidly worth doing; and we believe the suffrage spirit, which is coing; and we believe the suffrage spirit, which is never appealed to in vain, will not allow us to b beaten for want of funds or service. Already a good response has been made, and both money and paper-sellers have been forthcoming during the week. With the utmost confidence that more will rapidly follow, we repeat our manifesto of last week, and announce our intention of going forward, looking neither to right nor left, until the woman's fight is won.

This Week's Paper

So much is being talked about women's capabilitie in time of war that we have decided to open our columns to a discussion on the debatable question : "Should Women Shoot?" Both sides of the matter will be found most ably argued on page 713 by Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and the Hon. Mrs. Haverfield; we hope that others will care to send us their views also. Other features of this week's paper are the accounts by our Special Commissioner and others of the suffering of women and children entailed by the war, also a chronicle of what is being done by women at the present time, and the way the Suffrage flag is being kept flying.

NEW FICTION "Bridget Considine"*

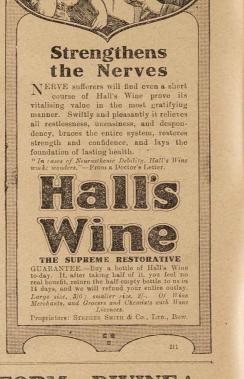
If this is a first novel it is a remarkably elever pro-duction, and Mary Crosbie should accomplish some-thing in the future. The motto on the tile page from Amiel-"Candidates for Humanity"-admir-ably describes the collection of men and women in her book. They are all human and provokingly so her book. They are all human and provokingly so in most cases. Lennie, the reformer destined to be a Labour member, who begins by thinking that a woman's soul is "her response to some man," and ends by knowing that Bridget's soul can never be awakened by him because she is incapable of taking the second best as a makeshift for the best; Bridget herself, who writes about the duchesses she does not be the the there there about the duchesses she does not be the second member of the the set is incapable of taking the second best as a makeshift for the best; Bridget herself, who writes about the duchesses she does not be the second best as a make shout the duchesses she does not be the second best as a make shout the duchesses the does not be the second best as a make shout the star we does not be the second best as a make shout the star we does not be about the star w

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"The Death of a Nobody"*

"The Death of a Nobody," occupying a whole volume, is not strictly speaking a short story. But it is done on the short story method; it is a French South African War) is undoubtedly to be attributed to the suffrage movement of the past eight years. **Women Dectors for the Front** It appears that the women's medical unit, organised by the Women's National Service League, of which we gave some account hast week, has not yet succeeded in reaching the front. Mrs. St. Clair Stobart, who went in advance, arrived in Brussels on the 20th, since when no news has been obtainable from her. Dr. Ivens and Dr. Foley got as far as Ostend, where the officials advised them to return, lest their valuable equipment should fall into the hands of the Germans. They were accordingly escorted back to Sheerness on a gunboat, and the unit, together with two railway vans full of stores, is now at the disposal of St. John's Ambalance Arspeiation, whiting to lew word. We the

"The Marriage Tie"+



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THE FEMALE FORM DIVINE !

By J. C. Squire

but that we think them superior. We wish women to stand in the eyes of men as living ensamples of what life may be when it is centred upon the deeper and more spiritual realities of existence. We wish to preserve them from contact with the baser and more sordid passions which must always be in-separably bound up with politics. Politics are and more to during the deeper seriously injured in the Infirmary; and two, who resisted the police, were sentenced next day, and are now being foreibly fed. **IV.-Extract from Sacial Works**, "passim et semper" . The average life of a prostitute after enter-ing her profession has been frequently estimated at must be a dusty, even a dirty, though a very neccs-sary business. They are, even in our own country, with its great traditions of public integrity, infected with an atmosphere of corruption and intrigue. Women, we feel instinctively, must be kept from must be a dusty, even a dirty, though a very necces five years. It is probably rather more than that. . . opening the door to the equal degradation of manhood and of womanhood.

II.—Letter from Miss Eva Jones to her Father, August, 1912

Dear Father, -Everything goes swimmingly in the by-election. Our candidate, as you know, is a strong Anti-Suffragist, and if we get him in it will be a great blow to the Suffragettes. The first week I spent chiefly in addressing envelopes, but this week I have

I.-Extract from the "Daily Bale," August, 1911 And, finally, we would beseech these well-meaning but misguided ladies to realize that the reason for which we would withhold the franchise Several of them had all their hair pulled out and from them is not that we think them inferior to men, their clothing rent into ribbons; one struggled to the but that we think them superior. We wish women station with a black eye and a bleeding nose; one lies

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VI.-Extract from a letter from Miss Dorothy Perkins, Red Cross Nurse, to her brother, August, 1914

Dear Tom,-We are now attached to the chief nospital in our army's western base. The wounded, woman's soul is "her response to some man," and ends by knowing that Bridget's soul can never be awakened by him because she is incapable of taking the second best as a makeshift for the best; Bridget herself, who writes about the duchesses she does how because she has "been a charwoman, more or less," and doesn't wart "to fill both worlds with scrubing fully of reformers that they." will insist on providing Bridget's lover, the Celt in him caught by her strange ness, the aristocrat in him repelled by her want of \cdot "Bridget Considine." By Mary Cosble. (London: 6 Bet md Sons, Lid. Price 6s.

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THE WOMAN PAYS

IN SOUTH LONDON Our Special Commissioner's Report Our commissioner in South London re-ports that already distress is growing rapidly, and that here, as everywhere else, it is on the women and the children that the first blows are falling. Appar-ently the chief-distress at pressin is caused by the requisition of horses by the Govern-ment, which has led to the unemployment of carmen and these engaged in similar

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War Striking at the Home-Children Affected-Women Out of **Work**—Assorted Patriots

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OUR EMERGENCY BILL

Before European statesmen set back the clock and olunged us all into the barbarism of war, we fully elieved that the woman on a pedestal had been killed by the suffrage movement of the last eight years. Even the anti-suffragists seemed to have abandoned her, and, sated with the womanly sphere of Local Government, had begun to dally furtively with Federal Suffrage. But the price of Liberty is eternal igilance; and just as we were thinking we had seen the last of the Early Victorian ideal, we suddenly encounter her again, not once, but nearly every morning, in our daily paper, enshrined-we feel sure that is the appropriate word-in the exotic verse of the minor poet.

These are hard times for artists of all kinds, and we should be loth to spoil the market for the one Muse who does not seem to have been thrown out of work by the war. But when we read some of the the leading article of the current issue of the Nation, rhymed eulogies of a woman who doesn't exist, and who surely never has existed, which have appeared in print during the last three weeks, we begin to understand why the Greeks made their poets admirals when their country went to war. At least this method of disposing of them saved the greatest literature of all time from the false sentiment of such lines as the following, which appeared a few days ago in the Times, addressed "To Women"-those women, it must be remembered, who bear at least half the burden of the present war, but in the making of which they had no part or lot :-

"Your hearts are lifted up, your hearts That have foreknown the utter price, Your hearts burn upward as a flame Of splendour and of sacrifice

These are magnificent words. In a just State they yould honour him who wrote them and her to whom they were written. But sacrifice, we would remind the author of these heroic lines, pre-supposes the power to withhold as well as the power to give. Women who are called upon to give whether they consent or not, are deprived even of the luxury, the tragic luxury, of sacrifice. Refused the right to have a voice in the momentous decisions of peace and war, theirs is not the power either to give or to refuse to their country the lives of the men they risked their own lives to bring into the world. They cannot cause our shores. As long as women are refused a hearing to grasp it?

in the nation's counsels it is mere sickly sentiment, if it is nothing worse, to pour upon them the vials of minor poetry and address them as if they were either goddesses or fools

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Let not our meaning be misunderstood. Not for one moment do we ignore or minimise the prodigality with which women are ungrudgingly offering everything they have to give to their country in the hour of her need, whether it be men or money or service. Elsewhere we give instances that could be multiplied indefinitely of the way women have rushed into the breach, of their self-denial, their generosity, and their sound capability. It rejoices us to know that although the war is none of their making (since the voteless can have no responsibility in the matter) they are fully as determined as the men o see the thing through, whatever the consequences themselves. Nor is it our business as suffragists to express any view as to the righteousness or unrighteousness of this particular war. Women, like men, are no doubt divided in opinion on this subject. But as suffragists it is our business to point out and to emphasise the fact that the suffering of war, which falls on every member of the community, from the gallant soldier at the front to the starved baby in the tenement, pierces with peculiar poignancy the hearts of those who are powerless to make or unmake wars, the women who, whatever they give or do or endure for their country's sake, are still left knocking vainly at the door of the nation's council chamber. War without the consent of those whom it ravages is a tyranny even more intolerable than mere government without that consent. We have felt compelled, even at this solemn moment

of our country's history, to draw attention to the artificial view taken in some quarters of the woman's share in that suffering whose grim shadow is already falling upon us. We hold it to be our duty to safe guard the honour and the status of women at all times, whether in peace or war; and we consider that it is in the best interests of the State that we should do so now, since the recognition of woman's true place and position is never so important as when the State is in urgent need of the help of its daughters as well as its sons. With much greater pleasure we bring to our readers' notice the more just and statesmanlike view of women that is taken in Speaking of the forces which led to the present outbreak of war, it observes : "Women, the one possible party of peace left under the representative system, were excluded from it." With regard to the work of reconstruction when the war is over, the Nation. adds :

We must have a different, a better, a fairer world; but, above all, it must represent a com-mon order, imposed by the Powers, small and great, in Council, and also by the advice of the best men and the best women of our time, to set up a permanent seat of international justice.

Again, Mr. H. W. Massingham, writing in the Daily News on "Britain's Part in the War," includes among the necessary reforms of the future "the admission, at least in Western Europe, of the whole adult population to the voting power.'

These utterances, if they mean anything, indicate he obligation to enfranchise women when the war is over. But meanwhile, as we point out elsewhere, the Sovernment is able to pass emergency Bills to safeguard the franchises of men who are fighting, or uffering privations, for their country. Would it not be an Act of Grace on their part to pass yet another emergency Bill enfranchising the women who, besides suffering terrible privations, are giving what is more precious to them than their own livesthe lives of their husbands and lovers and fathers and brothers? At such a moment, when political clamours go down before a stupendous human tragedy, a rare opportunity lies to the hand of the Government to apply the divine gift of healing to an one drop of blood to flow, or stay one drop of blood ancient sore and free themselves for the building up from being shed, in the war that is raging beyond of a better future. Have we no statesman big enough

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SHOULD

We have received a great many letters from women, | service at our disposal. Let us forget all former dis- | young; to others it is given to fight disease and death of which we print a selection in our correspondence columns, advocating the arming of women for defensive purposes in the event of a possible invasion So much misconception seems to exist in the minds of civilians as to the exact position of non-combatants during a war, that we think the two communication from the Hon. Mrs. Haverfield and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, which we give below, may be of interest to our readers, besides setting forth some of the arguments for and against the formation of a provisiona Women's Volunteer Rifle Corps. We shall be glad to receive further communications from those of our readers who have any views on the subject.

FROM THE HON. MRS. HAVERFIELD

the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN. Dear Editors,-It would appear very necessary : the present time to inform women who are desired of learning to shoot for defensive purposes, that unless they are enrolled in an organised body that : recognised by headquarters they stand the chance of being shot at sight by the enemy. According to the laws of war, non-combatants found with arms in their hands are liable to be shot. We have had at least one instance of this quite recently, in a newspaper war report, of a case in which a single shot vas fired by a civilian from a window, the result being that the house was destroyed, as well as man others in the neighbourhood, and people lost their lives

A Suggestion

I am quite ready to form a Women's Voluntee Rifle Corps for home defence, and shall be very glad f anyone will communicate with me on that ques tion. As time goes on, and more and more men ar needed for the front, the authorities will be more nclined to accept our services. At the eleventh hou it will be too late to organise anything; whereas, strong and capable women accustomed to out-door life, and any others whose hearts are burning t defend their country, will start drilling, rifleshooting, route-marching now, we shall be able at the right moment to place at the disposal of the War Office a thoroughly useful, enthusiastic, and capable body of wome

Numerous letters have been written to me h women who desire to learn to shoot in order to defend themselves; but I would point out to them that the wish of the Women's Volunteer Rifle Corps will be not so much to defend themselves as to defend those who are incapable of defending themselves. Without organisation nothing, however, can be accomplished though with enthusiasm and capability worlds can be conquered.

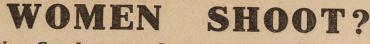
Why Waste this Ability?

It seems a pity to waste the opportunity of en rolling all these women who have signified to me thei readiness to go out and assist their country at any hour of the day or night, in the way of despate riding, motor-car driving, shooting, scouting, coas defence, or in any other way in which they can be useful. Surely at this time of day it must be recognised that all women's capabilities do not lie in the same direction. Whilst the large majority of women will always be of the home-keeping, peace-loving order, there are an enormous number who hav travelled and shot all over the world, and who thoroughly understand what they would be going in for in training for coast defence. Unless women mean to enrol on the same lines as the Territorials their services can be of no use to their country fo home defence. If women are allowed to take the place of the Territorials along the coast and do exactly as

Are we on the Edge of an Abyss? Well, William is a man himself, and ought to know; but I have seen his photograph; a little, dumpy person, in a frock coat and spectacles, not in the very least like Captain Hook. And I think of all those other ordinary commonplace male citizens-those ponderous stockbrokers, those dapper little bank clerks, those eminent family solicitors. And I smile I may be mistaken, we may all be dancing recklessly on the edge of an abyss, with nothing to save us, once the vote is won, from a headlong plunge into the depths; but, at least, we can't say that Professor William T. hasn't warned us, can we? Let me frankly admit, however, that I have once they are doing now, they may prevent the enemy from ever landing at all. I can speak from some experience of war, having been in South Africa for two years, and I am firmly of opinion that in order to save women much unspeakable misery and suffering, the sooner they make up their minds to think seriously on this subject, and to enrol, the better for them. The problem of the non-combatant in all warfare is an extremely serious one. Do let us utilise the mass of keen and capable

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The Position of the Non-Combatant-Considerations For and Against a Women's Volunteer Rifle Corps

agreements, and let men and women combine together to help each other in this hour of national trial.-Yours, &c.,

Another View

Dear Editors,-You have asked me to give an

E. Haverfield. FROM MRS. PETHICK LAWRENCE

To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN

pinion upon a question which at the present crisis resents itself seriously to women. I feel the matter be a difficult one, for of all things most distasteful me, that of placing objections and obstacles in the path of high-hearted and courageous women, who desire to pioneer in hitherto untrodden paths, is the a civilised world, is to mutilate and destroy the nost disagreeable.

Yet if I am to speak from my inmost conviction, have to say that I consider the moral immunity f all women in civilised nations from the terrible luty of organised murder is too great a boon to the whole world to be placed in jeopardy by the initiative of the women of any nation.

That women have a great and important part to play in the nation at all times, and especially when it is undergoing the stress of war, is so evident that at such a crisis as this no one dreams of questioning cost of wounds and death the manhood of the race is given to many women, and is their unique and must be a step back into barbarism and darkness, invaluable contribution to the stability of the State: | instead of a step forward into civilisation and light apon others is placed the difficult responsibility of feeding, sustaining, and protecting the welfare of the

in hospitals and camps where the sick and wounded are nursed and mended; and all have a part to bear n the great duty imposed upon civilians of carrying on the trade and public business of the country. echnique, courage, resource, and hardihood are jualities which war must develop in the women of he nation if it is to be enabled to hear the terrible train of modern warfare

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The Essential Work

But in all these tasks the essential work of women lies in giving, maintaining, and saving the life of their own people, while the main task of men, so enemy. For that differentiation of function let us be thankful, since it applies to the whole organisation of the civilised world

The recognition of women as non-combatants is the one area of sanctuary redeemed from the field of universal slaughter. It is the one foothold left for Peace in the landslide of the humanities. Let us beware lest we destroy it, and so allow the spirits of

Should women be organised into fighting regiments it. The duly appointed task of replenishing at the cost of wounds and death the manhood of the race of militarism everywhere, and the ultimate result -Yours, &

Emmeline Pethick Lawrence.

FUNNY LITTLE WILLIAM By T. O'Meara

suffragists, and others of that ilk. For, says William, the modern woman's demand for emancipation i likely to prove a costly enterprise for her sex. Rooted deep in Man is Brute Instinct; now held in abeyance for most men, and guided by a sense of chivalry" (ahem !). But "Wipe out that chivalry," says William, "and there is danger that Man will simply retrograde into a sex-pirate." (I hope man ikes this little compliment from one of his own pals.) "Granted that they have no other superior quality says William, "Men possess the dominating Brute Strength, and in the last analysis the government o the world rests on Force!

Now, isn't little William a funny man? Observe the argument; at present that Brute Instinct is restrained by the sobering thought that women are nore or less in a position of economic dependence that they are physically weaker, and have no legal claim to protection as citizens of the State; and perefore, brute and rogue and pirate though Man may be (in Professor William's estimation), still temptation passes him by like the summer wind as you may say "—as it passed by Blanco Posnet's brother when he was drunk. But abolish this ascetic state of things; let him behold Woman, no longer largely parasitic upon his own amorous emotions, bu tanding on her own feet to fight her own fight in a dusty prosaic world, and then there would be no holding him; he would break out like a Futurist poem; and then we should be sorry, and serve us right

Are we on the Edge of an Abyss?

Do you know Professor William T. Sedgwick, of he Massachusetts Institute of Technology? Oh, he s a funny fellow; and a few months ago, in the olumns of the *New York Times*, he lifted up his little oice and addressed a solemn warning to all feminists, ufragists, and others of that ik. For, says William, he modern woman's demand for emancination is petitor is a race at the Olympic games; and the instinct which swept the male portion of the audience deliriously off its feet was the instinct of outraged justice and outraged patriotism. When one comes to think of it, all the most riotous scenes of mob law known to history have a similarly sound ethical im-pulse behind them; for when man does burst the bonds of civilisation and plunge wildly out to liberty and adventure, he invariably does so, not in the character of Don Juan, but of Don Quixote

The Little Brain and the Hatchet

As for Professor William's calm assertion that in the last analysis the government of the world rests upon brute strength—well, one can only say that if this were true there would never have been any Professor William T. For his earliest ancestor would have succumbed to the brute strength of the sabre text. have succumbed to the brute strength of the sabre toothed tiger, who would have assumed the govern-ment of the world by natural sight. But the sabre toothed tiger fell an easy victim to the little brain of a little feeble primitive man, skulking solitary with his little hatchet; and he, in turn, was conquered by, or absorbed into, that tribe which had learnt the lesson of mutual tolerance and self-control and com-bination for a common cause.

bination for a common cause. All down the ages the same lesson is repeated; the brute strength of indolent luxurious Rome went down before the cunning and courage of the hardy little Northern races, who had kept their brains clear by hard asceticism; the brute strength of the Spanish Armada cunnied up before a sailorman from two penn'orth of daring and common sense; the brute strength of King George's Britishers (get ready to salute, Professor William) was as nothing when faced with the enthusiasm of the patriots who followed George Washington; and the brute strength, first of China and then of Russia, broke itself hopelessly against the indomitable swords of the little Samurai warriors.

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Practical Offers

VOTES, which I feel

The addition to those quoted, numbers of towards the Vorse row Worken fund, have been sent by members of the U.S. It is this spirit, which we have never soughts in any crisis, which is our great encouragement for the future. WHY NOT NOW? We dissent entirely from a writer in the London Mail, who says that the war "may teach the Suffragists the powerlessness of encouragement that had altempted to appeal to tum to Germany "would deservedly, have

FROM THE EDINBURGH U.S.

Mrs. Eeles, Hon. Sec. (50A, Frederick Street), writes: --- "Members are asked to do what they can during the holidays to extend the circulation of VOTES; also

THE NORTHERN MEN

In a letter to the members of t orthern Men's Federation for Women orthern Men's Federation for Women

"It is of the utmost importance that do not allow ourselves to be drawn o construct civilisation are forced by rnments to stand impotently by and

or women in its relation to war, and to ge forward now, so that when the day dawn man and woman will emerge into the light-together."

THE EAST LONDON SUFFRA-GETTES

The suffrage flag was kept flying a Poplar Dock Gates last Sunday, when Mis Sylvia Pankhurst and Mrs. Drake spok

to say that since



MISS LILLAH MCCARTHY. It has touched me enormously. I want to congratulate MISS STEER on her really beautiful play. You will have a big success with it.

SUFFRAGISTS AND PEACE

AUGUST 28, 1914.

It is significant that the women have done the most for the cause of peace have done the most for the cause of the second novel, "Lay Down Your Arms," to Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, the able and indefati-gable American worker for peace. The two women who have done the most to mitigate The Woman's Journal.

WE WON'T WAIT!

Some people still insist that the many women who want the ballot must be kept waiting till all women want it. This re-calls the experience of a guest at a country alls the experience of a guest at a country estaurant. After waiting more than an our for the order he had given, he de-nanded:

manded: "Look here, waiter, how long am I to wait for that half portion of duck I wait for that hall potent of the address ordered?" "Till somebody orders the other half. We can't go out and kill half a duck," re-plied the waiter,---The Woman's Journal.

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WHAT SUFFRAGE SOCIETIES ARE DOING

Organizing Women's Help

The National Union of Women's Euf-rage Dedicties is continuing the registra-ion of its workers, and reports that thou-ands of applications have been made for oth voluntary and paid work, while the lemand for workers has been considerable

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and Mr. Charles

the chair. Members who will be in charge of the stall at the White City during the coming week are: Miss Adeline Bourne, Miss Athene Seyler, Miss Vera Cunningham, Miss Howatt, and Miss Bensusan.

WOMEN'S EMERGENCY CORPS

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A Sound Economic Scheme

The

The New Constitutional Society, as we mentioned last week, is using its hall at Park Mansions Arcade as a work had at faits ministons Artage as a work-room and is giving employment to girls who have been thrown out of work, in the making of Red Cross outfits, according to regulation pattern. Shirts are also made to order, and ladies give orders for out-fits. Seven more girls have been taken on and it is hoped to employ fifty eventually. Employment is better than Relief 1

Employment is better than Relief! Special Services The Church League for Woman Suffrage proposes to hold special services in con-nection with the woman's movement as it affects war. The Rev. Fleming Williams and the Rev. Clifford Hall have already promised to take part in these. The F.C.L. has offered its office and the services of its secretary for half of each day to the Women's Emergency Corps. Each branch of the League has been instructed to com-municate with the local authorities in its district and work in co-operation with them. Our Alien Sisters

LIGHT SENTENCES

Cruelty to a Pony

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Assault on a Girl

Assault on a Girl The Liverpool Weekly Post (August 1) reports case of a respectably dressed man, aged 62, charged at Wallasey, with com-mitting an assault upon a little girl of seven when she was playing in a field with two companous. There were eighteen pre-vious convictions against the man. The magistrate gave him the maximum sen-tence.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editors of Votes FOR WOMEN. Dear Editors,-I read in Votes FOR Dear Editors,—I read in Vores ron Woxen recently that women can fight. Would it not be a splendid thing if our sturdy womanhood formed themselves into a corps and prepared to defend the country in case of invasion? They could drill and train themselves, and prove to the men once again their endless capa-bilities. Some say women must not fight because they are civilians, and if they do a they will be executed. But male civilians are preparing for possibilities. Besides, the secution did not bother the women at Herstal in Belgium.—Yours, &c.,

AMAZON.

To the Editors of Votes for Women.

doing right. But if they cannot taneously, much better leave I am, and shall be always,

COMPARISON OF PUNISHMENTS HEAVY SENTENCES

Theft of a Watch

The Yorkshire Telegraph and Star (August 13) reports case of a hawker sum-moned at Sheffield Police Court for bri-tally ill-treating a pony. The evidence showed that the defendant had stabled the pony with a four-pronged fork and thrashed it with a whipstock and broom-nandle.

Sentence :- Three months' hard labour

Attempted Housebreaking

The Daily Herald (August 2 case of a pugilist, aged 24, charged at the London Sessions with being found after midnight bent on housebreaking and in the possession of an electric torch and housebreaking implements.

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