

THE WOMAN'S DREADNOUGHT

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THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS.
 Saturday, Jan. 30th, 3 p.m.—Poster Parade starting from Old Kent Road, Baths.
 Sunday, Jan. 31st, at 8 p.m.—Hyde Park (Marble Arch)—Mrs. Drake, Miss M. Wright.
 8 p.m.—Bow Women's Hall—Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, Mrs. Schlette, Mr. E. Duval.
 Monday, Feb. 1st, 3 p.m.—Bow, Women's Hall.—Mrs. Walker.
 8 p.m.—"Peacock," Freemason's Road—Mrs. Bouvier.
 8 p.m.—E. India Dock Gates—Mr. Mewett
 8 p.m.—Lesbia Rd.—Mrs. Walker.
 Tuesday, Feb. 2nd, 8 p.m.—Limehouse, Burdett Rd.—Mrs. Walker.
 8 p.m.—Poplar Women's Hall—Miss Barry.
 8 p.m.—53 St. Leonard Street—Mrs. Scurr.
 Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, 8 p.m.—Chrip St.—Miss Feek.
 Thursday, Feb. 4th, 3 p.m.—Deacon's Vestry—Mrs. Walker.
 8 p.m.—Bow Obelisk.
 8 p.m.—124 Barking Rd.—Mr. Kennedy.
 8 p.m.—Women's Hall, Bow Choir Practice.
 8 p.m.—West Hampstead Town Hall—Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, Mrs. Cavendish Bentick (in the Chair) and others.
 Friday, Feb. 5th, 3 p.m.—Poplar Women's Hall—Miss Thomson.
 8 p.m.—Canning Town—Beckton Rd.—Miss Franklin.
 8 p.m.—Poplar, Piggott St.—Mrs. Drake.
 8 p.m.—Old Kent Road Baths—Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, Miss Evelyn Sharp, Mrs. Walker.
 Sunday, Feb. 7th, 3 p.m.—
 8 p.m.—Women's Hall—Mrs. Walshe and others.

MEETING
The WOMEN'S HALL,
 400 Old Ford Road, Bow, E.
 (No. 8 Bus from Liverpool Street)
Sunday, Jan. 31st, at 8 p.m.
 Speeches by
Miss SYLVIA PANKHURST,
Mrs. SCHLETTE,
Mr. E. DUVAL.
 Songs by
Miss POTTER and Miss SCOBIE.
Miss DARLING-JACOBS,
 Violinist.

MEETING
THE BATHS, Old Kent Rd., S.E.
 On Friday, February 5th,
 At 8 p.m.
 Speakers:
Miss SYLVIA PANKHURST,
Miss EVELYN SHARP,
Mrs. WALKER.

ADMISSION FREE.
 Reserved Seat, Tickets 6d. and 1s. each, may be obtained at 39 Radnor Street, Peckham; 45 Keston Road, East Dulwich; and at 400 Old Ford Road, Bow, E.
 Collection in aid of Distress in South and East London.
 On Monday, February 1st, a meeting is to be held in the Women's Hall, 400 Old Ford Road, Bow, for the formation of a Society for Soldiers' and Sailors' wives and families, in order to protect the interests of all wives, mothers and other relatives of soldiers and sailors, and to secure for them adequate separation allowances and pensions, to act on their behalf in all cases of neglect and delay, and generally to obtain an improvement in their conditions.
Soldiers' and Sailors' wives and mothers are cordially invited to attend. The Meeting is at 8 p.m.

OUR COST PRICE RESTAURANTS
 400 Old Ford Road, Bow, E.
 20 Railway Street, Poplar.
 53 St. Leonard's Street, Bromley.
 Two-course meals 2d. (children 1d.)
 Soup 1d. a pint with a piece of bread.
 Will you send us a gift of provisions to reduce our bills, which are growing rapidly with the rising prices?

OUR FACTORY.
 Price lists for our toys, garments and shoes may be had on application.
 Help us to produce skilled work at a living wage.

Suffragist Demonstration to the Home Office.

IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE.
 The Trafalgar Square Meeting on Sunday, January 24th, was a tremendous success. As our readers know, its object was to demand Votes for Women in the coming Session of Parliament, the abolition of regulations and punishments for women which do not apply to men, whether issued by the War Office, the Army Council, or the Home Office, and that adequate separation allowances and pensions shall be granted to the soldiers' wives and families, as a right,

during their absence, and that the delays in granting allowances, the smallness of the allowances, and the proposals for police supervision were injurious to recruiting. The privations which women suffered were moreover injurious to the coming generation and she quoted the Mayor of Stepney, who had said that out of 200 Stepney recruits all but fifteen had been rejected by the doctor. She said that large numbers of soldiers' wives whom she had known as children, had come to ask her help in getting allowances, and that in many cases they were reduced to such a point of starvation that she was obliged to give them food before she was even able to speak to them. She said where the men who had enlisted had been out of work they had been obliged to leave their wives literally penniless, and then had followed weeks of delay in paying out the allowances. The women were behaving with great fortitude and prudence. They were doing remarkably well by their children, both in feeding them and clothing them on their small allowances. Mrs. Despard urged that if there must be restrictive legislation, women should not be particularised.

Mrs. ARNCLIFFE SENNETT.
 Mrs. Arncliffe Sennett began by presenting the following resolution passed by the Northern Men's Federation for Women's Suffrage, and signed on behalf of the Federation by some of its members, who are elected representatives in Scotland.
 "The Northern Men's Federation for Women's Suffrage consider that by placing the soldier's and sailor's wife under the surveillance of the Police Authorities (i.e. the Criminal Department), the Government of the country has stigmatised the Nation through its Womanhood.
 "They call upon the authorities responsible for the gross abuse of the liberty of the subject to rescind the Order concerning Public Houses, which they look upon as an insult to men as well as women, and to deal with all cases of drunkenness upon their individual merits.
 "The Northern men resent the imputation that because certain women, like certain men, indulge too much in drink, the Nation's womanhood shall remain under this wholesale insult; and, furthermore, they deplore the habit indulged in by the Government, of perpetually forcing the disenfranchised portion of the community under the ban of the Criminal Department of Great Britain."
M. ARNCLIFFE-SENNETT,
 President N.M.F.



AT THE CANNING TOWN PARTY. With acknowledgments to the Daily Mirror.

MOTHERS AND BABIES.
 We urgently need subscriptions to help us to pay the heavy milk bill for our centres in Bow, Bromley, Poplar and Canning Town; also gifts of:
 EGGS.
 For invalids and babies who are too ill to digest milk, and are given the white of egg beaten up in water.
 ARROWROOT, BARLEY & RICE, BORACIC POWDER, BORACIC LINT, VASELINE, ZINC OINTMENT, COD LIVER OIL AND MALT, GLAXO AND VIKROL.
 We lend necessitous mothers outfits for their babies, for the first months.
 FOR BABY.
 Four gowns, four barrows, two flannel bands, twelve napkins, three vests and a cot blanket.
 FOR MOTHER.
 Two nightgowns, a woollen shawl, three towels, two sheets and one pair pillowcases.
 Doctor attendances and baby weighing—400 Old Ford Rd., Bow, Mondays 2.30 p.m.; 20 Railway St., Poplar, Mondays 3 p.m.; 53 St. Leonard's St., Thursdays 2.30 p.m.; 14 Butcher's Rd., Canning Town.
 Mothers may have the leaflets on baby-feeding by applying at any of the centres.

DEARER MILK.
 It appears that there is likely to be a rise in the price of milk in the near future. If this happens it will be still more incumbent upon the Government to make provision for babies whose mothers cannot afford to give them pure fresh cows milk. It is a national disgrace that so important a provision should be left to private enterprise.

without any vestige of police supervision.
 In spite of the cold, and the damp remains of the heavy snowfall, which seemed to be threatening a return, a great and warmly enthusiastic crowd assembled, and the resolutions were passed with acclamation. A large proportion of the men were in khaki, who cheered the various points, (many of which applied to them and theirs) at least as vigorously as other people. The demonstration was a fine answer to those who imagine that the public have grown apathetic on women's questions since the War.

THE DEPUTATION.
 Next day, Monday, January 24th, a deputation from the East London Federation of the Suffragettes, the Women's Freedom League, the United Suffragists, and the Northern Men's Federation for Women's Suffrage, was received at the War Office by Mr. Cubitt, the assistant Secretary.

Mrs. DESPARD.
 The deputation was introduced by Mrs. Despard who spoke of the enthusiastic demonstration the previous day. She asserted, from her wide experience amongst the families of soldiers and sailors, that they were very anxious that their people at home should be well looked after

GERALD W. CRAWFORD, Councillor.
 ALEX. SCOTT, do.
 WM. ARCHBOLD, do.
 JOHN A. YOUNG, L.D.S., J.P., do.
 ALEXR. BARRIE, do.
 WILLIAM GRAHAM, do.
 W. BRUCE LINDSAY, Member of Edinburgh Corporation.
 JOHN MURRAY, do.
 T. G. FISHER, do.
 ALEX STEVENSON, J.P., do.
 W. CUTHBERTSON, J.P., Past Moderator Edinburgh High Constables.
 Mrs. Sennett also presented the following resolutions passed by great meetings of electors in the St. Rollox Division on Jan. 11; and the Bridgeton Division on Jan. 13; and by a great demonstration in Edinburgh on Jan. 24.
 1.—"That this meeting of electors and others in the Bridgeton Division of Glasgow calls upon the Government to grant one pound (£1) per week to dependents—irrespective of children—of those who are serving their country, as the present allowance is quite inadequate."
 2.—"That the meeting calls upon the Government to abolish police supervision of the wives of soldiers or sailors."
 3.—"The meeting desires to draw attention to the fact that in some towns the Military Authorities prevent women using the streets after certain hours. It considers that such action is an unjust interference with the liberty of the subject."
 4.—"The meeting views with alarm the apparent attempt to revive the Contagious Diseases Act in Cardiff. It considers that the Civil Authorities should retain control of the public streets instead of permitting the interference of the military."
R. FERGUSON, Chairman.
J. ILLINGWORTH, Hon. Org.
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