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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.

We wish all our readers a very happy and delightful Christmas. In whatever part of the world they find themselves may they be conscious of the spiritual bond of fellowship by which we are all united; may the holiday season add to the fulness and richness of life, and may it give renewed strength for the great work which awaits us in the coming year.

The Woman's Burden.

We publish as a Christmas Supplement this week a photograph of the beautiful figure that dominates the Sculpture Section of the Russian Art Exhibition. Mr. C. Isenberg, the Russian sculptor, is very keenly interested in the fight for emancipation now being waged by women in this country against the Government, and he has dedicated this work to our Movement. His figure is the expression of Woman doubly handicapped. Humanity carries the Cross, Woman carries the Cross and the Child. Her cause is therefore twice sacred. That is the message that the artist has for us and for the world. The Committee of the Russian Art Exhibition freely offered special permission to the Editors of Votes for Women to reproduce this photograph, and on behalf of the Union we express our thanks to them and to Mr. Isenberg.

The End of the Election.

The General Election is now over. Unless the Wick election, the result of which was not to hand as we went to press, gives another gain to the Unionist Party, the coalition of Liberals, Labour, and Irish, by which Mr. Asquith's Government is and Irish, by which Mr. Asquith's Government is supported, will have a majority of 126 in the new House of Commons; just two more than what they had in the last House. Dissected into parties the Liberals return with 272, or three less than they had before; the Labour Party with 42, or two more than in January; Mr. Redmond with 76, or four more; Mr. O'Brien with eight, or two less; and the Unionists with 272, or one less than at the last General Election-For practical purposes, therefore, the situation remains unchanged.

W.S.P.U. Victories.

Of the contests during the last week there were four of the contests during the last week there were four to which the Women's Social and Political Union devoted special attention, and in two out of these four—the High Peak division of Derbyshire and St. Andrews Burghs—a seat has been wrested from the Liberal party, the loss in the High Peak involving the

defeat of a Minister, Mr. Partington. This brings the number of wins in constituencies especially worked by the Women's Social and Political Union in this election up to a total of ten (counting 20 on a division). But taking the country as a whole, there are probably no less than a score of additional seats with Unionist majorities in which the Liberal candidate has encountered defeat owing to the loss of prestige which his party has suffered from its attitude to Woman Suffrage. Thus, altogether, Mr. Asquith has a majority sixty or seventy less than he otherwise would have had if he had not brought into opposition against him the women of the country.

The Proposed Plural Voting Bill.

Liberal politicians are already busy preparing their cogramme. The Veto Bill, Home Rule, Payment programme. of Members, Invalidity Insurance have been promised for some time past; to these has now been added authoritatively a Bill to abolish plural voting. The Master of Elibank, speaking at Midlothian on Friday,

said:—

I now have the authority of the Prime Minister to state that if the Liberal party is returned to office—and there is every prospect that it will be returned with an extremely comfortable majority—the Government proposes to proceed at as early a date as possible, having regard to the other business which will be before the House of Commons, with a Plural Voting Bill, in which they will set up "one man one vote," and abolish plural voting, which is of such extreme advantage to their Conservative friends.

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Will There be Another Conference?

session with regard to the Veto Bill. "Conservative," them. in a letter which the Times printed in large type on its leading article page on Monday last, discusses the position, and hints at another Conference:

The Labour Party and the Osborne Judgment.

According to a correspondent of the Times the Labour Party are taking a leaf out of the book of the women and becoming restive at the attempt of the Prime Minister to postpone their Bill for amending the Osborne judgment until after next session. It is stated that steps will be taken to force the Government to produce a Bill in 1911, and that if one is not forthcoming the Labour members will ballot for a Bill of their own. As 42 votes are worth conciliating this quite possible the Government may decide to bow to the storm.

The Last At Homes for the Season.

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General Election. Seventy-one promises of new subscribers to Votres For Women were sent up to the platform. On Monday Mrs. Pankhurst again spoke at the Queen's Hall, and dealt with the bearing of recent legislation on women. Lady Meyer gave a striking defence of the militant agitation. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence spoke of the "Woman's Burden," and Christabel Pankhurst sketched out the political situation. As we have already announced, these meetings will be resumed on January 23 in the Queen's Hall, and January 26 in the Steinway Hall.

Women's Lodging Houses.

No one fact shows more clearly the total failure of men to look after the interest of women at the present day than the neglect to secure decent lodging houses for single women in their cities. Speaking recently at a drawing-room meeting of the National Association for Women's Lodging Homes, given at the house of the treasurer, Mrs. Hylton Dale, Mr. F. G. Mackereth painted a picture of almost unrelieved black. In London, in contrast to the palatial Rowton Houses and the L.C.C. lodging houses for men there is scarcely a decent or respectable house for single women. In Nottingham there are 31 lodging houses for men there is scarcely a decent or respectable house for single women. In Nottingham there are 31 lodging houses for men conly, and 31 for "doubles"—that is to say, for men and women together—but not a bed for a single woman and women together—but not a bed for a single woman who are in need of a lodging, And yet we are told that women can safely leave their interests in the hands of men.

Women Playwrights.

While London on wesubscribers to the palatial for new subscribers to the paper. I pointed out to friends that this was the only effective way of breaking down the boycott of the London Press. I am glad to be able to say that this sappeal has already been responded to say that this waste only effective way of breaking down the boycott of the London Press. I am glad to be able to say that this appeal has already been responded to say that this appeal ha

Suffragists are telling is that women are lacking initiative and originality!

Woman Suffrage in Canada.

We learn from The Glusgow Herald that Woman Suffrage is gaining ground in British Columbia, where the City Council of Vancouver has unanimously decided that married women holding separate estates shall be granted the franchise for municipal elections. The movement has spread here, it is said, from Washington, where it will be remembered the full franchise has just been granted to women.

Encouragement from Australia.

Last week we published a message from women in Asiatic Russia, protesting against the barbarons treatment of the women at Westminster on November 18. Other Societies who have sent messages of sympathy are the Women's Progressive League (New South Australia) and the Women of the Goldfields (West Australia). These are all societies on non-party lines. Their messages express confidence, sympathy and appreciation of what the Women's Political Association (Adelaide, South Australia) and the Women of the Goldfields (West Australia). These are all societies on non-party lines. Their messages express confidence, sympathy and appreciation of what the Women's Social & Political Union has done for women throughout the world.

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statement with regard to the treatment of the deputations of Friday, November 18, and Tuesday, November 22, at the hands of the police. Anyone, therefore, who has any facts Meanwhile there is considerable speculation as to the course of business which will be adopted in the first lose no time in communicating with him in reference t

W.S.P.U. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

An agreement last year would have involved concessions which, though they were not fundamentally inadmissible, neither side felt justified in taking the responsibility of making without a further appeal to the country. Has the result of that appeal been such as to make a resumption of negotiations impossible? Obviously not. It is useless for us to pretend that we have not been beaten on a perfectly straight issue. It is equally useless for the Government to pretend that their majority is of the same compact and homogeneous character as the majorities of equal or even smaller numerical strength which have stood behind the great movements of the past. In resuming negotiations the Unionist leaders would, of course, have to reckon with that they were willing to go a few weeks ago.

If this view be accepted by the Unionist leaders and endorsed by the Liberal Cabinet—which seems not unlikely in consideration of the desire for harmony in the Coronation year—then the session of 1910, and there will be even more time than would be available in the normal course of business for the discussion and passage of a Woman Suffrage measure.

Some of the women imprisoned as a result of their courageous action on November 18 and the following days will be spending their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen will he their Christmas in prison. Seventeen will have cleased for their colassed for the Griday (Friday), and they will be welcomed at the Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be their Christmas in prison. Seventeen women will, however, be Some of the women imprisoned as a result of their courageoution on November 18 and the following days will be spending

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TWO INTERESTING LETTERS.

A member of the W.S.P.U. writes:—I find many of m friends will purchase a paper weekly if they are not troubled t

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COURAGE IN WOMEN. REVOLUTION in the PRICE of DRY-GLEANING

Even the slave was admitted to some claim to human ualities. He was a man, although in bondage, so long s he kept within his bonds, might exercise and be praised for the same characteristics as free men. Women alone of all divisions of the human race, have had continually to live up to an absolutely unreal standard, to conform to an ideal that was imposed upon them from without, that was not their own and was not even regarded as an admirable one

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by the very persons who set it up as a feminine model.

It is an interesting problem in psychology as to how it comes about that men idealised their own weaknesses and more deplorable qualities, and by the simple process of transferring them to women converted them into what was conventionally admirable. Did a man suffer from fear, he was a coward; but a woman afraid was an adorable occasion for chivalry. Her need of protection, of a "strong arm to lean upon" was her glory. Even to-day we find men who see fit to praise women for their "dependence," their want of self-reliance, and other qualities which these same men would consider despicable in themselves. Long ago Swift was daring enough to suggest that if courage is good in a man, it cannot be a bad thing in a woman. But the more usual attitude is expressed by Gibbon, where he speaks of Zenobia as an antagonist "whose sex alone would render her an object of contempt." And in this context he remarks (with that assumption of complete understanding of women which is still usual among persons who do not claim to inspiration on other matters), "as female fortitude is commonly artificial, so it is seldom steady and consistent." Women, in fact, must realise the fact that they have no right to be brave.

These reflections occur to me on reading "The Amazons," by Guy Cadogan Rothery. The very idea of the Amazons, those suffragettes of the horizons of history, is full of interest and suggestion. The contemporary traditions treated them as the contemporary tradition (compare our daily Press), always has treated courage in women. Female the Red-Cross Department of Messrs. Garrould's large premises at Edgware Road (near the Marble Arch). There are so many things the ordinary lady wants and does not know where to get. I had gone there to get a few nursing requisites that one does not quite like to get in an ordinary shop; but here in the Nurses' Saloon there are no men, and all the women assistants are experienced and helpful. There is practically nothing they have not got, from a safety pin to the latest things in surgical corsets, support belts, elastic stockings, enemas, douches, thermometers, etc." ful and majestic women to be honoured for their cours But in all ages, from Amazons to Joan of Arc, from Joan to Florence Nightingale, pioneer women have met the same reception of misunderstanding and abuse.

reception of misunderstanding and abuse.

It is certain that the later Amazons of Dahomey in Africa were honoured warriors; and yet contemporary travellers can only suppose that they were forced to become warriors as a punishment for some sin against men. It is suggested, for instance, that they were recruited from unfaithful or nagging wives. In this book are collected many strange primitive tales of early states ruled by women who were only half human. Out of the mass of legend and half-supernatural history, we get a sense that there has been continuity in the rebellion of women against artificial standards of conduct, and that although this rebellion has often driven them to extremes, it has yet been well for them to throw off the weight of custom "heavy as frost and deep almost as life."

"THE CONNOISSEUR." +

In these strenuous days of motor cars, airships, and the Votes for Women Agitation, it is restful to look through the pages of a beautifully illustrated magazine devoted to the prious side of life. And of all tastes the taste for collecting curios is one of the most luxurious. "The Connoisseur" for December is a feast for the eye. Its front cover gives one a delicious picture of Christmas in the olden days, by H. Alken—a coach and four dashing through a anys, by H. Arken—a ceach and four dashing through a blinding snowstorm, over snowy roads to Brighton in 1836. In some future number of "The Connoisseur" we shall expect to see a picture of "A Motor Car in the Olden Time; 1910!" Within will be found many articles of extreme interest. Mrs. Willoughby Hodgson writes on the Chinese porcelain collection of Mr. W. H. Lever at Hampstead; the porcelain collection of Mr. W. H. Lever at Hampstead; the article is illustrated with beautiful photographs. Other contributions deal with some very quaint "Children's Playing Cards" (by Mrs. F. Nevill Jackson); and Egan-Mew writes on "Old Lacquer." There are besides a number of fascinating photographs of interiors of great halls up and down the country which make one think of Mr. Lloyd George and "Form IV.," and the number is further embellished with some beautiful coloured plates, including "The Madonna Adoring the Christ Child," by Filippino Lippi (in the Uffizi Gallery, Florence); an engraving by Walker, of a lady meditating on a ministure portrati ag by Walker, of a lady meditating on a miniature portrait,
Vandyck which has been lent by Lord Lucas to the
National Gallery, "The Woodland Maid," after T. Lawrence, and two reproductions after Angelica Kauffman-"The

"The Amazons." By Guy Cadogan Rothery. London : Francis Griffiths 10s, 6d.

Birth of Shakespeare," and "The Tomb of Shakespeare.' There are besides, two beautiful coloured plates from recent books, one of Turner's Lake of Brienz (from Mr. Lewis Hind's new book on Turner), and another of Mr. Frank Reynold's Rochester Coach. These in themselves are feasts of exceeding interest, and are beautifully illustrated.

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Dr. Grey." By Stephen Andrew. London: Greening and Co, 6s.
"Twentieth Century Magazine." December. Boston. 25



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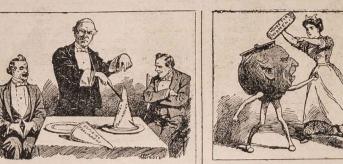
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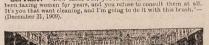
7.-PEACEP A Conciliation Committee has been formed for the purpose of accuring the passage by general consent of the House of Commons, of a Woman Suffrage Bill. (June 3, 1910.)

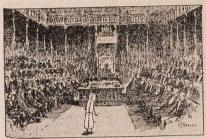


13.-- PAYMENT OF MEMBERS. Mr. Ll-d G-rge: "You'll have to pay the piper, though you than't call the tune" |- (Sept. 16, 1910).



.-- THE POT CALLING THE KETTLE SMUTTY.





8.—(Mr. Shackleton introduces the new Woman Suffrage Bill on Tuesday, 14.) (June 10, 1910.)



General Asq—th (reading letter brought by envoy): The enemy are prepared to withdraw their troops if I will give facilities for the Conciliation Bill.—(Oct. 21, 1910.)



3 THE RESULT OF THE GENERAL ELECTION. Burglar Asq-th (to R—d and K—r H—d—): Help! Help! I say, mates, you might get me out of this.—(February 4, 1910.)



9-Exasperated 'Busdriver (to Policeman): "O give 'em le Vote!"—(June 17, 1910).



15 .- " WHO WOULD BE FREE THEMSELVES MUST

WOMEN ARCHITECTS.

Two kings, two queens, foot-soldiers trim,
Bishops, with chariots* and knights,
In battle fought—one side against
The other—black against the white.
And only they
Who held at bay

And in that famous game, the one
Who helped the warriors in their plight,
Whose power was far beyond the power
Of bishop or of stalwart knight,
Beside whose skill
The king's was nil,
Was "weaker sex" if I am right,

And still this game is played, but now Do men at last themselves confess Who'tis who owns the mobile power (And not in games alone, I guess), Who doth not shirk, But doth the work

A. S. Ron.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN CARTOON.



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4.—PUTTING AWAY THE CANE.

Dame Suffragette: "Many of them are the same boys that are me so much trouble last term; but there, I'll give them a chance, ethaps they'll be good and I shant have to use it again."—(February





16.—THE GENERAL ELECTION.

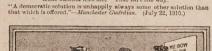
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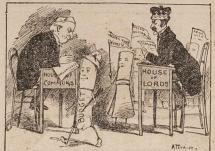
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5.—WHOSE BONE P
The Woman: "Now then, 'Peer' and 'Prode my hidding or you shan't have a bene to quarrel."









6-OUR TURN NEXT





18.-RESULT OF THE ELECTION General Asquith: "We have held our ground, but if it had not been for those women we should not have suffered these losses, and we should have gained a position independent of the Irish."

—(Dec. 16, 1910).

THE MEANING OF THE CAUSE.

Aneye-witness of the Deputation on November 18, wrote:—"One small group I came across held in itself the whole history of the woman's movement. The centre figure was a pretty, well-dressed little woman, the woman one would picture presiding over a dainty little home, the delight of her husband and children, and keeping close to her were two elderly ladies, and their fine expressive faces — the types and their fine expressive faces — the types that one associates with kindly works. What were they doing here? With desperate courage the little lady pushed herself again and again through the lines of police, and to prevent being thrown back, clung tightly to the constable's whistle. Vainly he endeavoured to receive the fine expressive faces and to great the first of the provided to take up work against them, and they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless babble of the Anti-suffragists that they have become our co-workers. We thank the senseless habele of the Anti-suffragists that the wench her fingers open. She said, quietly,
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wrench her fingers open. She said, quietly, "You are hurting my hand frightfully," but she did not let go, and the two elderly ladies tried to pull away the rough hands and to help their comrade. What did the cause mean that made these women leave the sheltered home—these typical gentle English women, of whom so many chivalrous sentiments are written—and expose themselves to indignity and brutality? The little group gave the answer. It is a cause far higher than all personal sentiments — a cause which makes women stoop to the dust, gladly, in order that others may be raised."

In the experience of many years, I have always found the advocates of Woman Suffrage occupying higher moral ground than that held by thair opponents.

—Julia Ward Howe.

WOMEN MUST WEEP."

A reader of Vorss for Women sends us the following true story:

"It was not possible to gather anything tangible from the high words being exchanged until the man lurched back to the support of the stone wall, and the woman entered the omnibus, and sat down opposite when the conductor came in for her fare, and in an apologetic way she told him that she had just called to get her husband's wages, and that, and the women for the first of his 30s, was 5a, which he had given her to keep the house going for father, mother, and there are learly as a rebellion, and not as a mere mutiny. She took the field with Nana Sahib and Tantia Topee. For months after the following true story:

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The Daily Mirror reports that at an examination in architecture in Paris three ladies gained diplomae—Mile. Genevière Trelat, a young Parisienne, and Miles. Bernstein and Issakovitch, both Russian girls. Mile. Trelat was classed first with two men out of a total of twenty-three candidates.

AT LAST.

In Hindustan, long years ago,
Four thousand years, they say, and more,
An intellectual game of skill
Was often played by rich and poor,
So grand a game,
Its name and fame
Has spread afar from shore to shore.

The rival king could win the fight.

In life as in the game of chess !

Ste term "rook" is from Sanskrit, roka = chariot.

A FABLE.

A NEW NURSERY RHYME.

What does little Asquith any In his nest at break of day?

Cheer up, women, work for Me;
You shall have your votes, you'll see.

Nigh has alfeline of chill and plain;
Little Asquith chirp again:

"Votes for Women, did you say?

I'm too aleepy; run away!"

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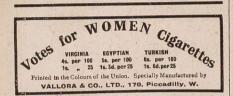
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THE MOTHER.

She crossed the room and looked down upon the heart stood still with fear. faces of two boys sleeping. "Christmas Eve!" she sighed.

She went back to cover up the machine. Sitting | for the light of one small lamp. But in her heart wearily, she leant her weight upon it, and her head | see heard still an echo of the song: "They that sank upon her arms. Last year it had all been so different! She had to be both father and mother was the girl in the workhouse infirmary; that was and knelt by the startled child. "Kiss mother," now, since the breadwinner had been cut down by | the old woman in the police court charged with | she said, as she put her arms about him. the hand of death falling with an awful sudden- attempted suicide; that was herself-upon them | Christmas morning.' ness. And, within her body there slept, soon to | "hath the light shined." "For unto us a child

she moaned. "If not, pray God it may die! It stood. It was her own child—the child that moved s too terrible to be a woman."

VOTES FOR WOMEN.

had been taken that day to the workhouse again that burst of joy that filled the sky with infirmary; she knew her story. The girl had been | song : "To set at liberty them that are bruised." a waitress in a tea shop. She earned her food and Who were the bruised? Someone had told her a prayed that it might be a boy.

nusband had died; that was a year ago. The widow had taken in work for an army clothing establish- bondage. Were all women in bondage? If so, ment. But the money she earned hardly paid the some of the fetters were made of gold. Were rent. The case had made something of a sensation | fetters of gold light? Someone was going to Government that was to blame. The Government the sweated labour of men, but the sweating of acquainted with grief."2 women did not matter. Women did not seem to matter to anybody. When her husband was alive | mantle so that she could not see, but she was she had not realised it. She realised it now. She | not afraid, rather comforted, as if with a sense of

ff she heard a burst of song. It came nearer. Never had she listened to such music. The woman lifted her head. The window was gone, the whole of those who are in bondage." of the outside wall had fallen noiselessly away, and the sky was filled with a glory that was not of | faltered the mother. the sun nor of the moon. The light seemed to come from a cloud, and the singing too. No, it was not a cloud. It was a host of radiant forms, for, as she looked, these shining ones came nearer to her, and she could hear their voices: "Good tidings of great joy!"

So that was what they were singing! Where had she heard it before? The words seemed so familiar to her that, though she wondered, she was not overwhelmed with surprise. Then came a rapturous outburst: "They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death-upon them hath the light shined." The light! How wonderful it was! How amazing! It seemed to the woman like a glorious sea upon which her spirit floateda flood which drowned her senses, so that for a moment or two she lost consciousness of all else. Then once again her attention was arrested by the singing, because she heard these words: "For unto us a child is born." "Pray God it is a hov." she murmured.

She wanted to hear more, and listened breathlessly now. Nearer and nearer to her came the voices, and she heard a new refrain that seemed to fill both heaven and earth with ringing joy: 'To set at liberty—them that are bruised."

Suddenly that triumphant chanting became a lament. "No room! No room!" wailed that multitude of voices. "The door of the mother's In a small room, dimly lighted, sat a woman heart is shut. She prays that the child wall had disappeared again, and the garret was making collars. Above the humming of her may die!" Then the woman knew that it was sewing machine the clock of a neighbouring the child who stirred within her, whose coming church struck ten. The woman lifted her head the angels had heralded. The woman child! and, gathering up her work, folded it together. Yes, for she had prayed that it might die, and her

And it seemed to the woman that the wall had been built up and the room was dark again, save

waken to life, a child. "Pray God it is a boy," is born—a saviour, which—" Then she underunder her heart. What was it came next? Ah! She thought of the girl on the second floor who it came back to her now: she seemed to hear

f. shillings a week. She could not live alone in story a few hours ago. It was about the the world on that wage. She had accepted "the poor creature who kept the fish shop at the protection" of a man more than twice her age. | corner of the street: her husband had come back When her trouble came he had tired of her. He | last Saturday and demanded money; had knocked had left her. She did not know where he was her down and kicked her; the magistrate had now. Would that child who was to be born in the | made a joke about it in court and everybody had workhouse be a girl too? She hoped not. She laughed except the woman. She had wept bitterly. But nobody seemed to care. "To set at She remembered the old woman who had tried | liberty them that are bruised." The poor thing to drown herself last week. The old woman's was horribly bruised, they said. But was she not "at liberty"? No, she was in bondage-cruel in the police court. The papers had taken it up | break the fetters. And that someone was-her for a day or two. The employer said it was the own child. "No! no!" she cried in an agony. "It is she-my child-who will be broken! would not allow its contracts to be carried out by Rather let her die now, before she has become

Then the woman felt herself folded in a purple emembered though that even in those days ... | deep security. "I am Destiny," she heard; "your Suddenly her room seemed full of light. Afar | child will be safe with me. I will cover her with my arm. I will hide her in the secret place of the Most High. She shall break in pieces the fetters

"Then she shall not herself be broken?"

"She shall be broken," answered Destiny, vet not her spirit. That shall return victorious unto God, who sends it forth.'

"Tell me one thing," pleaded the woman. 'Shall the joy of my child outweigh her sorrow?" "The angels sang at the birth of One who was destined to be crucified for the world. Did the joy of the crucified outweigh the sorrow? "2

"I do not know," she answered.

"According to her strength her joy shall be like unto His joy, and her sorrow like unto His

And the mother said, "God's will be done." And when the veil was removed, it seemed as though the little room was full of those shining presences who had drawn near to her from the singing hosts of heaven.

"I am Wisdom," said one, and laid a hand upon the woman's head; "I give to your child what is mine." "I am Vision," cried another, kissing her eyes, saying, "For the child's sake." And Love was revealed, as Love reverently touched the child where she lay beneath the mother's heart, saying: "It is I who give to women the courage that amazes strong men." Take from me, for the child who shall be born, my double-edged sword, the spirit and the word, said one; "My name is Inspiration."

Then once more there was wafted upon the air the singing of the heavenly host-and the outside open to the sky. And the heart of the woman sang with the joy of the angels: "For unto us a child * * * * *

A peal of bells rang out from the church. One of the boys stirred, sat up and cried out, "Mother!" She lifted her head. "Hush!" she said. "Hush! The angels are singing." rose and walked to the window, drawing aside the curtain. A star shone brilliantly; it seemed to shoot a shaft of light into the room. The Christmas

Emmeline Pethick Lawrence.

WOMEN'S VOTES IN NEW ZEALAND.

By LADY STOUT.

Wife of The Hon. Sir Robert Slout, formerly Premier and now Chief Justice of the Dominion of New Zealand.

There never has been and never will be any antagonism between men and women. We have the interests of our children and country in common, and the comradeship their mistresses or the children were dying. The Bill never reappeared.

The following is a letter from the Hon. R. McNab, who which unites us has made our reforms possible. Our men gladly welcomed our equality of citizenship, as they understood that what was good for women and children would be good for men and the State. They loyally help us in all our proposals for more equality of social and economic conditions, because they know that if men are to be great their mothers must be free

When the Commonwealth of Australia was inaugurated in 1900, universal adult suffrage was conferred upon her citizens. The separate States passed the Women's Suffrage Bill at different times. South Australia followed closely in the footsteps of New Zealand, which was the first country to enfranchise her daughters. In Victoria women have only had the vote for a few years. All over Australia the women vote, and all intelligent, thoughtful women, who feel the responsibility of citizenship to their country and to the Empire, exercise the vote, and value it very

In spite of the prophesies of evil of its opponents in New Zealand the women have not deteriorated in appearance, health or morals, nor have the men during the one hour in three years that has been Zevoted to voting.

We have the highest marriage rate (no anti-women r anti-men there), the lowest death rate and the lowest infant mortality in the world. We have the only increasing birth rate in the civilised world. The annual natural increase of population in France is 1'42; in England and Wales, 12'13: in the German Empire 14'44: in Australia, 15'00: in New Zealand, 17'60, The enfranchised countries take the lead of Germanyarely evidence enough to satisfy even an anti (or uncle) Suffragist that our homes are not deserted or our

increased by 3s. per week each year until it reaches £1 per week at 21 years of age. No chainmakers with us, working at 5s. per week to keep body and soul together Tailoresses earn from 25s. to 30s.; dressmakers, from 20s. to 40s.; milliners, from 30s. to 50s. per week; needlewomen, from 3s. and 6s. per day (luncheon and tea provided), or 12s. 6d. to 25s., with board, per week,

In factories there is equal pay for equal work for men and women. All wages must be paid weekly in money, and work is limited to eight hours per day A weekly half-holiday on full pay must be given to all employees. Seating accommodation must be provided for women and girls. No female of any age, or boy under 16, may be employed in a factory at night or for more than 45 hours per week. The limit of hours for mon is 48

We find that the vote is not only a factor in itself but it has the added power of the responsible and moral influence it exerts upon the men voters. No doubt, without a vote, a woman may have a certain influence behind the throne, but it can only be a negative, not a positive influence, for good, as being irresponsible it can always escape the blame of any evil that may result from its exercise.

A story that is circulated by an "Anti" is of a New Zealand bachelor, who, being handsome, secured the votes of all the servant girls, and was elected. The misguided man, so the story goes, got married before the next election; the maids did not vote for him, s he was defeated. No doubt the poor man had made such an unsuitable selection in his choice of a wife that even the servant girls did not think he was fit to have the responsibility of making laws for his country.

I believe that story is a very old chestnut, dating from the past century. The version I heard twelve years ago was that a member who was not famous for good looks, and who was burdened with a wife and numerous olive branches, had secured the votes of the servant girls in his constituency by promising to bring in a Bill for a weekly half-holiday for them. The Bill was found to be unworkable, and was defeated. The maids themselves said that the weekly half-holiday, which they all got by arrangement, was better than a fixed compulsory holiday, on which they would be

In New Zealand we have had the vote for 18 years. | compelled to go out, wet or dry, ill or well, or even if | every post.

testifies to the value of Women's Suffrage in the Home

"Dear Madam,—
"Dear Madam,—
"In reply to your request for information regarding the operation of the Women's Vote in New Zealand, nothing gives me greater pleasure than to avail myself of the opportunity of expression.
"I entered politics in November, 1983, the first occasion on which women voted in New Zealand, and I have fought six General Elections and one by-election, so that I have had the experience of seven contests in which women played their part as electors, Giving votes to women has given political power to the home instead of the tent. The wandering man stands alone, but the women of the family, grouping themselves around the home, send forth from there a political power which goes for all that is best in public life. The here-to-day-and-away-to-morrow man, being alone, is outvoted. To one like myself who has never known any other system, the objections urged against it in this country are incomprehensible, and are very different to the experience of New Zealand, where the men would not allow the women to give up the experience of elections that the women's vote was exercised with one whit less intelligence than any section of the men's vote, and, having taken part in the last contest here, I can say with certainty that our contests do not suffer in any comparison which may be instituted.

"Yours faithfully, "ROBERT McNAE."

Mr. McNah is a handsome and wealthy bachelor, who was

Mr. McNab is a handsome and wealthy bachelor, who was rejected at last election. He has always been an ardent supporter of Women's Suffrage and all the social reforms that appeal to women. Why, then, was he rejected? Because of the sentimental and emotion women in his constituency who did not approve of his-

When I was in New Zealand, I was whole-heartedly for Temperance and Social Reform. Since coming over here and seeing all that you have to overcome, and the terrible suffering that is daily and hourly before my eyes, I am for Woman's Suffrage first, and everything else a long way be ind. Why, nothing that you wish can ever be shed until you have aroused the sense of responsibility in women, and that cannot be done until they have the powers and rights of citizenship. It is true "that nowhere on Earth can the interests of women and children be safe-guarded where Parliament is not equally responsible to women as to men.

children neglected.

There is no sweating in New Zealand. Employers in factories and shops are by law obliged to pay young in New Zealand have, of casting your vote for the benefit of your children, home, and country. I most earnestly and sincerely hope that before long you

MATER DOLOROSA

(Lines suggested by Mr. Constantin Isenberg's bronze figure f "The Heavy Cross," a reproduction of which is given with his number as a Christmas Supplement.)

Woman! Sad woman, who are you, say—Are you of Now, or of Yesterday?
Why do you tread that thorny road?
Why do you bear that double load?

Know you the outcasts of every clime?

To whom is said, "Go," but never "Come"

These are the women who have no home: I am those women-I know not Time

Mother! Sad Mother! Why do you come

Know you the women who have been shamed-Used for man's pleasure and cast away ? Women of Now and of Yesterday ? Mother-of-Sorrows I have been named.

Mother-of-Sorrows ! Oh, wait awhile ! Rest with us from your heavy load.

Can there be smiles when these things are done? Nay, I must go on my thorny road, Nay, I must carry my double load; Nay, I must go on my way alon

Mother-of-Sorrows! What can we do Carry with you that heavy load?

If any will share my thorny road, Welcome their smiles and their laughter, too ! I need them, for there is much to do If you would lighten my heavy load.

Mother-of-Sorrows ! how blind we have been ! We have always known you, but never seen The painters hid—the thorny road, Gold halos hid the heavy load!

Mother of Heaven, Star of the Sea, Our Lady of Pity, Mary, Maid Who in a manger her baby laid— Are some of the names men have given me

THE TREASURER'S NOTE.

During the week ending Dec. 17th nearly £500 was sent in to the Treasury. Many of the members of the Union have asked their personal friends to give them money instead of the usual Christmas gift, in order that they may be able to devote it to the Campaign Fund, and these "Christmas boxes" are reaching the Treasurer by

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A GREETING FROM A WOMAN CITIZEN.

December 23, 1910.

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"A GREAT DAY."

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The Tuesday evening meeting was particularly well tended. Mr. Victor Duval was received with great nthusiasm, and his interesting speech was greatly ppreciated. A good collection was taken, and several hings sold from the Christmas stall. Members are re-

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Lord	Robert Cecil (C)	••	 4,857
	was mod		544

Result in Jan. :-L., 5,279; C., 5,079.-Maj., 200. W.S.P.U. Committee Rooms.-White Lion Temper-

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DERBY (High Peak).

RESUL	T.	
S. Hill-Wood (C)		5,813
o. Partington (L)		 5,629
Con. maj.		181
R. s. lt in Jan. :- L., 5,912;		., 106.

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RESULT. Major W. Anstruther-Gray (C) .. 1,675 F. D. Millar (L) 1,628

VORKS (Buckrose).

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Sir Luke White (L)	. 4,867
LieutCol. Mark Sykes (C)	. 4,635
Lib maj	. 232
Result in Jan. :-L., 4,957; C., 4,739M	aj., 218.

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December 23, 1910.

HERCINES OF THE ELECTION.

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The Daily Chronicle tells of a plucky action by two young women in the Epping Division during the General Election. As an election party were motoring to a political meeting at Fyfield their car was brought to a standstill by the floods. The chauffeur borrowed horses from a farmer, but two men refused to lead the horses through the water, as the animals were very restless with the motor on their heels. The young women, who belonged to the farm, volunteered their help, and wading into the flood waist-deep led the horses through the swiftly running water notwithstanding the darkness and danger.

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tickets.

A report of the most successful meeting held by this Union at the Caxton Hall on Friday last appears on page 200.

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