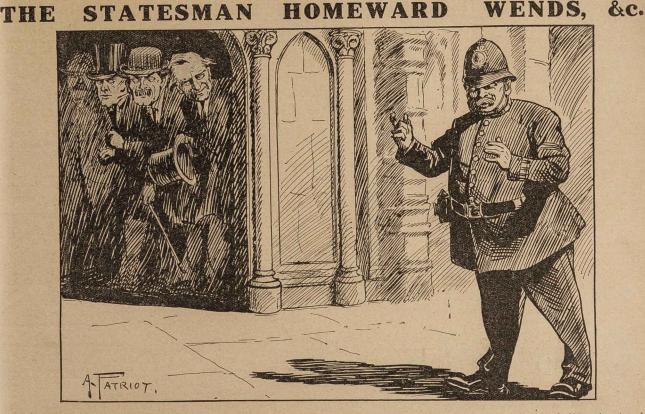
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(The Speaker of the House of Commons, in distributing prizes at Framlingham College, is said to have quoted the following lines from Crabbe, saying that they reminded him of the attitude of the modern politician towards the Suffragette :--- "Women and men he strove alike to shun, And hurried homeward when his work was done.")

# TIME\_MIDNIGHT

Policeman (in a hoarse whisper): "All clear, gentlemen! If you run, you'll get home safe." (General stampede of Cabinet Ministers.)

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To the brave women who to-day are fighting for freedom: to the noble wemen who all down the ages kept the flag flying and locked 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.

The Government have lost their seat at Crewe. They have escaped defeat in the House of Commons by three votes only, and if the twelve Labour M.P.'s who voted for them in that division had voted against who voted for them in that division had voted against them, we should now be rejoicing in their downfall. They are very truculent and very brutal in their

opposition to Votes for Women, but at any moment | the Liberal leaders may find themselves thrust out of office and powerless to continue their policy of disfranchisement and coercion. The North-West Manchester by-election has now to be fought and won by the militants. Fresh from their success in keeping the Liberal out of Crewe, the W.S.P.U. repre sentatives are already at work. To defeat the Government nominee in North-West Manchester will be to repeat the triumph of 1908, when Mr. Winston Churchill was defeated by the opposition of the W.S.P.U. Manchester was true to the women then, and we believe it will be true to them now. There is no constituency in the whole kingdom whose verdict is so significant as that of North-West Man-chester. To the managers of the political parties it known as the key constituency. Our hope is that it will, by rejecting the Liberal candidate, pass censure upon the Government's evil dealing with the Votes for Women question. As it happens, the Unionist candidate, Sir John Randles, was the successful candidate at the Cockermouth by-election, the first in which the W.S.P.U. was successful in keeping the Liberal out.

### The Labour Party's Position.

regard as a mere handmaid of the Liberal Government. By none except themselves are the Labour Members regarded as an independent force. The Liberal Whip condescendingly says that "When any test of the Government's strength has come, they have turned up magnificently." The Daily News and *Leader* says, "Test Liberalism and Labour on any specific issue of immediate practical politics, and they will speak with the same voice!" This alliance with the Government having reduced the Labour Party's strength and influence in the constituencies, rarty's strength and inderee in the constituences, the Liberal machine is now proposing to dapture the seats held by the Labour Members. To crown it all, the *Nation*, the Liberal weekly, stigmatises the Labour Party  $a_3$  "weak, complacent and ineffective," accuses it of being more responsible even than the Government for the mishandling of the Dock Strike, and says

and says: The Labour Party neither stands for an uncompromis-ing theoretic creed, nor is it a competent Opportunist group. It shows an approach to passion when one of its seats is menaced. It dissembles its feelings, or delegates them to its extreme Left, when its comrades are starving in the East End. And where is the competence of its tacticians? Its work and its future are marred by defects of character and intolligence to which it cannot rises superior; and because it is weak, and deservedly weak, a folly of Syndicalism rages among the workers, while re-actionary or conservative tendencies in Liberalism develop without any sustained, or thought out, or convincing any sustained, or thought-out, or convincing

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Such is the reward of Labour's unconditional support of the Government. The Suffragettes have be assailed by criticism, but never of a kind so galling as this. A fighting policy may excite hatred, but it loes not excite contempt. We would add that it is futile for Labour M.P.'s to vote against the Government only in Divisions where the Unionists will come to the rescue and prevent their defeat.

### Disgraceful Episode in Premier's Career.

It is generally admitted that the Prime Minister by his speech on the second reading, has already been false to his undertaking that the question of including women in the "Reform" Bill should be left to a free vote of the House of Commons. The "Constitu-tionals" describe the speech as a "disingenuous" one, which lays Mr. Asquith open to the charge "o allowing the spirit to become clouded with unfair ness." Mr. Philip Snowden uses more uncompromi ing terms, and says :- " There is no more disgraceful episode in Mr. Asquith's career." Evidently Mr. Asquith's standard of what is honourable is a very declares, in a letter to the Irish Press, that by these different one, judging by the letter which he has addressed to the patient, long-suffering Liberal women. These ladies have addressed to him a letter emonstrating against his assertion that the passage of a private Member's amendment for Woman Suf rage is "altogether improbable," and asking for an assurance that the decision on amendments to the Reform Bill should not be regarded as pre-determined by a previous decision, taken under special and exceptional circumstances," these circumstances including the torpedoing by the Government of the Mrs. Fawcett's answer to this charge is as follows :-Conciliation Bill. Mr. Asquith's reply is as follows :

There is nothing in the statement which you quote from my speech on the second reading of the Franchise Bill which in any way conflicts with my previous declarations as to the attitude of the Government towards Amendments extending the provisions of that Bill to women.

We can only repeat that Mr. Asquith's sense of honour is imperfectly developed. We are surprised that Constitutional Suffragists, whether Liberal or otherwise, should venture to place any reliance upon

### Militants on Trial.

Dr. Ethel Smyth, who was arrested on the charge of complicity in the alleged attempt to set fire to the house of Mr. Lewis Harcourt, has been discharged because of the total inability of the police to bring any evidence against her. Miss Heler Craggs has been committed for trial at the October Assizes, and in the meantime is released on bail. A typewritten letter found in her possession was read to the court. We give extracts :-

I profoundly regret that the forty long years of peaceful agitation and petitioning on the part of women was of no avail to secure for them their enfranchisement. When Cabinet Ministers tell us that violence is the only argument they understand, it becomes our duty to give them that argument.

Women have a growing sense of proportion in this matter. They see around them the most appalling evils in the social order; they see children born into conditions which main them, physically and mentally, for life. They which main them, physically and mentally, for fire. They see their fellow-women working in the sweated industries at a wage which makes their life a living death, or excrificed as white slaves to a life which is worse than death. I feel that I dare not acquiesce in such a state of things, and that delay on my part would be criminal. . . . Men and women of the past have done violence, and have suffered and died in order to put wrong things right and they in the sufference of t

and have subcred and died in order to put wrong things right and to win freedom for themselves and others. I am not ashamed—rather I am proud—that in my way I, too, have followed out this great tradition. Finally, it rests with the present Government to decide how much destruction, how great the violence to which women like myself will be reluctantly driven before our meet just domand is computed

most just demand is granted.

This document will live when the scoldings of Cabinet Ministers and the complaints of non-militants are forgotten.

The militants arrested in Dublin are to stand their trial next week; it will begin on Tuesday. Mr. Tim Healv, K.C., M.P., will appear for the defence.

### What Really Happened in Dublin.

As usual, distorted and exaggerated accounts are afloat concerning the acts of militant Suffragists. Thus there are people who actually write to Clements Inn about "the attempt to burn down a theatre full of people." That attempt was not made ! The women concerned in this protest carefully and deliberately waited until the performance was over, upon ill-behaved Cabinet Ministers, but what of the

at the instigation of, Liberal and Nationalist partimmenting upon the scenes that marked the Prime Minister's visit to Dublin, the Irish Citizen says that these will long remain an indelible disgrace to the Irish capital, and continues :-

The lowest elements of the populace were loose, and set themselves to assault in the grossest fashion every woman they met. A prominent Nationalist and supporter of the Irish party declared afterwards that even if Mr. Redmond and Mr. Asquith had both been killed, and the Theatre Royal burned down, the conduct of the Dublin mob could not be justified as neurosci. But the commingle phoot be justified or excused. t be justified or excused. . . But the criminals who tually conducted the assault, who knocked down, kicked

actually conducted the assault, who knocked down, kicked and beat women, who tore their clothes, smashed the windows of the trams on which they had taken refuge, poured on them a flood of the fithiest ribaldry, ... are not the worst offenders. The Press which has stirred up this feeling against women must bear the chief respon-sibility. The *Beening Telegraph* published a series of letters (unsigned), advocating brutal physical violence if they dared to attempt to call the attention of Mr. Asquith to their grievances. ... The *Beening Telegraph* pub-lished a letter which declared that the Suffragettes should be thrown into the Liffey.

declares, in a letter to the Irish Press, that by these scenes "not only is the Home Rule cause being imperilled, but our national character is being disgraced.

# "When I Thought They Were Right."

Anti-Suffragists are constantly accusing Mrs. Fawcett of sympathy with, and even complicity in, the action of militant Suffragists because in December, 1906, she presided at a banquet to celebrate the release from prison of members of the W.S.P.U.

I supported the militant Suffragists when I thought they I supported the militant Suffragists when I thought they were right, and ceased to support them when I thought they were wrong. I know the exact date and occasion when I found it necessary to withdraw from all support of them. It was in July, 1908. Up to that date, speaking generally, they had suffered violence, but had used none. The first stone-throwing took place at the time I have mentioned. It appeared to me then, and appears to me now, that the same arguments which were used to justify stome-throwing would justify every sort of crime for political ends, and I definitely and finally withdrew from all support and sympathy with the militant movement. I may have been right or I may have been wrong, but I have never felt the least hesitation in drawing the line where I did draw it. where I did draw it.

Here is a question to which a great many people would like the answer ! Why did not Mrs. Fawcett, instead of merely doing honour to the militants at the time when she thought they were right, share in the time when she thought they were right, share in the risks they ran and the violence they suffered? If the action they took up to July, 1908, was right for them, it was right for all Suffragists. It was only because the milder militancy approved by Mrs. Fawcett failed to achieve its purpose that more drastic militancy was resorted to. If Mrs. Fawcett and her followers had done their share of the milder No question here of militancy doing harm to the case no violence need have been done, and no heavy nunishment need have been incurred by other women Those who thought militancy right, and yet remained non-militant, certainly incurred a grave responsibility.

### The Justification of Militancy.

We invite all those who do not believe in presentday militancy, who are shocked by recent protests, who think that the end does not justify these means, to consider the fate of theWhite Slave Bill, which, as the Daily Chronicle expresses it, has been so mutilated in Standing Committee as to make it scarcely worth putting on the Statute Book. The refusal of the House of Commons to allow an ordi- Helen Craggs's committal for trial, and in various nary constable to arrest a professional trader in other parts of the paper; for those unacquainted further from the Daily Chronicle,

That White Slave traders will be able to keep free from happens to be on the scene.

It ought to be a criminal offence to entice a child of | Many well-known men and women writers will conshameful brutalities inflicted upon women by, and | needed to cleanse a world where these wrongs against | Conspiracy Trial.

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women and against their young daughters can be done by permission of the law.

# "Regardless of All Consequences."

There is a sentence uttered by Mr. Bonar Law which has an application to the question of Votes for Women. It is this: "I can imagine no length of resistance to which Ulster will go in which I shall not be ready to support them." A great many people are saving, "I can imagine no length of resist ance to which women will go in which I shall not be ready to support them." Sir Edward Carson says that Ulster men intend to make Home Rule impossible, and that they will do this " regardless of all consequences." When militant Suffragists, fighting for a cause dearer to them than anything else in life, are dimly suspected of being "regardless of all consequences," they are venomously attacked and accused of criminal folly. Moreover, they are arrested and imprisoned, either on a charge of committing breaches of the law, or of inciting to their commission. It is only men of great political power who are allowed with impunity to incite to illegality and violence. It cannot be argued that men's talk is harmless for the reason that nothing happens in consequence, because, as a foretaste of the situation which Unionist eloquence is destined to create, comes the announcement that a crisis has already arisen in the Belfast shipyards, and that, owing to violent assaults and intimidation, Messrs. Harland and Wolff have closed their works. Well may Lady Betty Balfour ask : "Is it not inconsistent to cry shame to the Suffragists for illegalities, and bravo to Sir Edward Carson when he declares he is prepared to break every law in Ireland !" Well may we ask why are the Unionist leaders at large when Suffragists are in prison ! "A Terrible Responsibility."

The Times says that if they neglect Ulster's warning the Government "will incur a terrible respons bility." That is what the W.S.P.U. has often said to the Government in connection with women's mili tancy. The Prime Minister may refuse, as he does, to believe that Ulster will fight, but he cannot deny that women are fighting already. When will he give them what they ask ? Evidently he and the Government regard fighting as a test of the necessity of legislating. Thus we have Colonel Seelv, the Secre tary for War, saying at a public meeting held

sented the one dangerous position in our Imperial rela-tions to-day, we should dash the cup of reconciliation from their lips, and go back and plough the hateful old furrow of misery and crime.

militancy it might have been successful. In that Irish cause! On the contrary, Colonel Seely points to militancy as the supreme argument for granting

# The Holiday Campaign.

A vigorous holiday campaign, with the object of extending the sale of VOTES FOR WOMEN, is now being carried on all over the country by members of the Women's Social and Political Union. This week's number is particularly calculated to appeal to new readers. They will find our view of the political situation clearly expressed in the leading article and Outlook; the latest news of the militant movement, to which so little space is given in the Press, will be found in the verbatim report of Miss women without a warrant simply means, to quote with the meaning of the demand for Woman Suffrage answers to objections in the column entitled " For the Man in the Street," will prove enlightening and in-That white Slave traders will be ably as they can now. A constable may arrest a woman for soliciting, but a White Slave trader is immune unless a specially detailed sergeant teresting; and many who are unaware of the strength At the same time, we do not forget that the holiday All this because women have not got the Vote ! Let season has now begun, and that there is a very anti-militants further consider the case of the young | humorous and human side even to so serious a quesgirl now in prison for manslaughter who, according tion as Votes for Women; and we hope that an appeal to counsel defending her, was "taken to London at | will be made to that sense in our readers by the the age of 16 by a person whose name need not be mentioned, and was deserted after three months." cartoon on the front page, and by the "Suffragette Alphabet" so wittily illustrated by our cartoonist. 16 away from her home, to ruin her and then desert tribute to VOTES FOR WOMEN during August and her, leaving her to fall into the gutter. But the September, and we have much pleasure in announcso that there should be no question of danger to the audience. Much is said about attacks by Suffragists of consent" at 16 years All this because women have harraden, called "The Homecoming." Next week's not the Vote! Militancy, indeed! We say that it is number will also contain a full report of the Dublin



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TREASURER'S NOTE A member sends me the following admi-stion : "As there will not be any meeting gestion: "As there will not be mail until Octo London Pavilion or Steinway Hall until Octo I shall put by the amount each week that I usy give in the collection for the Albert Hall collecti This is a brilliant idea, and I hope that ever who usually attends these weekly meetings will f who usually attends these weekly meetings will f who usually attends these weekly meetings will follow the example of our correspondent throughout the holidays and bring the money thus saved to the great Albert Hall meeting on October 17. It is in small ways like these that the large sums are built up that make our Albert Hall meetings remarkable in the eyes of the whole world; and as the autumn meeting this year is going to be held in honour o our Leaders and of all those Suffragists who have been imprisoned for the Cause in 1912, we must set to it that the collection is a record one. By keeping this end in view from now onwards, many will be able to collect a sum of money by degrees that they could not, perhaps, afford to raise at the last moment The Albert Hall collection of October 17 must be made a worthy one for Mrs. Pethick Lawrence to receive on her return to the office of Treasurer after so many months of absence. MAEL TURE

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sistance. In spite of the physical inferiority of the voteless all of the nation (see Anti-Suffrage arguments) omen swimmers have managed to uphold the honour England at the Olympic Games; for one at least it he events—the 400 metre ladies' team race—was on by England. And now that the bathing season as begun, stories of heroism on the part of girls and omen appear almost daily in the papers. Among tese, what is described a "one of the pluckiest secues ever seen on the Thames" took place last londay, when an eleven-year-old schoolgirl named lorence Shellard jumped into the river near Wind-or and rescued a little friend, aged five, who had one under twice. "She brought the child to land a splendid style," said an onlocker from a puff, i is pleasant to think that both Florence Shellard nd the little girl whose life she has saved will have vote when they grow up—thanks to the women of oday who do not make invidious comparisons etween men and women, or base their claim to reedom upon muscular development. The following story appears in an American

### VOTES FOR WOMEN.

SERIOUS AND OTHERWISE **SERIOUS AND UTHERWISE** It is not often that the Anti-Suffragist is really men. As a rule, he prefers to cloak them under guise of the "physical force argument," or, per-s, the old familiar bogey of the preponderance of nen. But at last Thursday's meeting of the ird of the Licensed Victuallers Central Protection iety, an Anti-Suffragist spoke who made no smpt to disguise his real objections to he woman's e; for he is reported to have earld that "if there anything this country ought to avoid it was the alle franchese. The longer we in England kept of the beseaker, a Canadian, by the way, would be the passage through Parliament of perance legislation I If so, it would be interest-to know whether his reason for opposing Woman rage is endorsed by Anti-Suffragists in this ntry. . . .

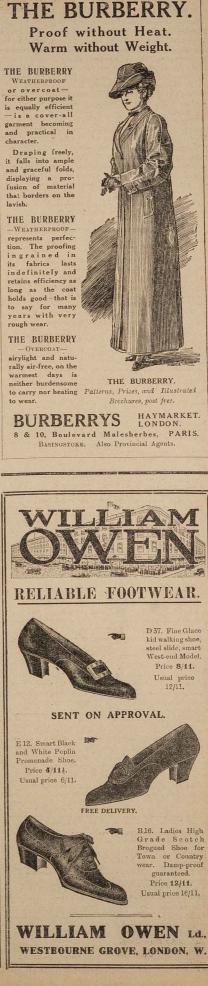
According to a contemporary, the Home Office is collecting prison relies for the purpose of an Inter-national Exhibition. These will include; we are told, Newgate Prison was pulled down; so it is only to be supposed that the stomach tubes, handcuffs and strait jackets, employed in the treatment of women political prisoners during the jurisdiction of the present Government, will not be left out of this inter-esting collection. Certainly, no International Prisons Exhibition could be considered historically complete unless the exhibits included the implements of torture used in the tweatieth century in connec-tion with the imprisonment of women Suffragists under a Liberal Government.

So much amusement seems to have been aroused during the police court enquiry into the Dublin Suffragist disturbances, over the alleged discovery of the novel called "Flames" in the bag of one of the women charged, that we are encouraged to suggest equally appropriate books for the holiday reading of Cabinet Ministers. Two at once leap to our minds as particularly suitable: "Come and Find Me" (by Elizabeth Robins), for the Prime Minister, and "Masterman Ready" for Mr Lloyd George.

"A Troubled Wife," writing to the Standar "A Troubled Wife," writing to the Standard ("Woman's Platform") complains that, owing to the action of the militants, "the wife who wants to be a Stuffragist just now has a hard time indeed," and she concludes by saying, "I would rather have my home than the Vote, and as things now are we cannot work for the cause without leaving our husbands." We are sorry that the writer is not one of those many married women whose husbands are heartily in favour of Woman Suffrage; but in choosing between personal comfort and her public duty, does "A Troubled Wife" realise the enormous numbers of women who have neither a home nor a vote, or who at best have a home that would not exist if they did not work for it inder arduous conditions that will never be improved until they have a vote as well? 

One would like to remind the lady who would of the married women in Kngland and Wales who were in paid employment at the time of the last construction of the transformer of the second by doing the work of men at a much lower rate of properly revised until men and women have an equal political status. Or, if a concrete instance of the many of the home-keeping woman is more eloquent than statistics, what about the woman at Hereford, which work of the abay in arms and two political status. Or, if a concrete instance of the many of the home-keeping woman is more eloquent than statistics, what about the woman at Hereford, which end is the status of the status of the status would be status of the hand the status of the status being to stamp out human misery. But it will woman's position in the State harder than a mark in the work of improvement. And, perhaps, it will bring home to women who do not realise, as the initiants do, the close connection between the vote of the home, that they lost a precious opportunity seven the two and followed the line of least two and the home, the status of the status of the status the status. . . . .

aper :--"The Politician: 'What is the next question to imp before the American people?' "The Voter: 'They have had questions enough. That they want is a few answers.''' The English Suffragetic feels inclined to remark in the vernacular: "Same here!"



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FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 1913

# THE FRAUDULENT PLEDGE

Constitutional Suffragists are at one with the militants in saving that Mr. Redmond has the intention and has the power to prevent the passage of an unofficial Woman Suffrage Amendment to the Reform Bill.

Mrs. Fawcett says:

If Mr. Redmond adheres to his present inten tion, from forty to sixty Irish votes will be cast for purely tactical reasons against every Suffrage Amendment, and none in its favour. . . . In these conditions it is improbable that any Suffrage Amendment can be carried, and certain that no democratic amendment can succeed.

Mr. Brailsford also declares that the Nationalist Party has the cause of Woman Suffrage at its mercy. He further agrees with us in saying that this policy of wrecking Woman Suffrage in the alleged interests of Home Rule was adopted by the Nationalists during a period of truce, and without any reference. to militancy. Besides, Nationalist politicians would merely excite ridicule were they to pretend that they had been alienated by militant methods!

No! the motives of the Nationalist Party's attack upon Woman Suffrage have nothing to do with militancy. These motives include a dog-in-themanger dislike to share the legislative good things of the day with anyone else, the Anti-Suffragist ninions of Mr. Redmond and other prominent men in the Party, a desire to oblige and aid the Government in return for their furtherance of Home Rule. Those who believe, as the "Constitutionals" believe, and as we believe, that Mr. Redmond can destroy each and every unofficial Woman Suffrage Amendment, must of necessity demand a Government measure. There is no other course of action left open to them. If the Government introduce the pelling the grant of Votes for Women, or turning proposal for Woman Suffrage, the Nationalist Party | them out of office. will be literally compelled to vote for it, because if they do not, they destroy the life of the Government and thereby lose the Home Rule Bill.

Another plan has been devised by the "Constitube asked to promise, in exchange for the withdrawal influence on behalf of the Suffrage Amendments to remember to hate violence and love order and exer-

which it is sought to extract from him would be absoutely worthless. We earnestly hope that no such disastrous bargain would be made. That it would be disastrous is plain, on the face of it. It is said by the "Constitutionals" that Mr. Redmond views Mr. Snowden's Amendment with alarm. If that is true, he has precisely the same reason for viewing the passage of a Woman Suffrage Amendment to the Reform Bill with alarm. The Reform Bill will decide not only the Imperial Franchise, but also the Franchise for the Irish Parliament. Aspecial Woman uffrage clause in the Home Rule Bill will, therefore, e mere surplusage if the Reform Bill, with a Woman Suffrage clause in it, is passed. Mr. Redmond, if he thinks a Woman Suffrage Amendment is going to be included in the Reform Bill, will see no advantage whatever in defeating or securing the withdrawal of Mr. Snowden's Amendment to the Home Rule Bill. To cap the argument, we say that if Mr. Redmond enters into the bargain proposed by the "Constitu-tionals," it will be because he has satisfied himself that the defeat of the Women's Amendments to the Reform Bill is assured We have seen that the Nationalist peril of itself

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makes a Government measure imperative, and a private Member's Amendment futile. But it is not the only peril. Ministers are bringing heavy pressure to bear upon Liberal Members to vote against the proposed unofficial Amendments. Mr. Brailsford in recent letter to the Manchester Guardian, throws ome light on this subject. Describing the means adopted to destroy the Conciliation Bill, he says .

It was said that the Cabinet would go to pieces if its members took to disputing over our Bill. It was also said, apparently on the authority of a Minister, that Lord Loreburn, Mr. Harcourt, and even the Premier himself would resign if our Bill were carried.

These alarms have worked, and are working, havor n the Nationalist and Liberal ranks. Mr. Brailsford says that he questions whether Mr. Harcourt in particular would disclaim the credit of the success of these tactics. The whole position is summed up by Mr. Brailsford in the following terms :-

It was the essence of the Cabinet's offer to Suffragists that there should be a "free vote" on the Conciliation Bill, and again on the Amendments to the Reform Bill. If this only meant that no formal Whip would be issued, the pledge was worthless. To allow it to be supposed that Ministers (and in particular the Prime Minister) will resign if Members do vote freely in accordance with their convictions is to use the most powerful form of indirect coercion.

The tactics which Mr. Brailsford thus exposes are an even more serious breach of the Government's pledge than was the Prime Minister's statement that the passage of an Amendment is "altogether improbable." The pledge was that if a Woman Suffrage Amendment were passed by the House of Commons, the Government, Suffragists and Anti-Suffragists alike, would unite in fighting it through all the remaining stages into law. What Ministers, including, it appears, Mr. Harcourt, have said, since that pledge was given, is that if a proposal for Woman Suffrage is adopted by the House of Commons, the Anti-Suffragist Members, including the Prime Minister, will resign, and the Government be destroyed! This is final proof that the pledge is a fraudulent one, and that it was assented to by Mr. Harcourt and other Anti-Suffragists only on the condition that the Women's Amendment should be defeated, either with the aid of the Nationalist members, or by some other means.

The time has come for every honest man and woman to fight the Government, with a view to com-

Women, deprived as they are of the constitutional weapon, are turning more and more to the weapon of revolt. They are told that revolt cannot, and never has, achieved reform. They are told that the Reform riots did not provide the motive power which onals" for bringing pressure to bear upon the carried the Reform Bill of 1832, and that lawless Nationalists. It is this: Liberal M.P.'s are to be asked to vote for Mr. Philip Snowden's Amendment We do not so read history-nor did Gladstone, nor to the Home Rule Bill. When promises sufficiently did John Bright, nor did any others among the numerous have been obtained, Mr. Redmond is to statesmen of the past. For our part, we are unable to withold our assent from Gladstone's proposition that "if no instructions had ever been issued in poliof Mr. Snowden's Amendment, that he will "use his tical crises to the people of this country except to the Reform Bill." This would be simply giving Mr. cise patience, the liberties of this country would

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# **MILITANCY AND WARFARE**

The militant Suffragists have said to Mrs. Fawcett | with all that ? If Ministers could be made to suffer that they fail to understand how she, who so strongly upheld the Boer War, can possibly think that mili-would speedily put an end to the situation by carry tant methods of fighting for Votes for Women are ing a Woman Suffrage Bill. The militancy of Suf-

One of Mrs. Fawcett's supporters declares that She adds

The late outrages differ profoundly from honourable civil war. War can only be honourably con-ducted where there is a clear distinction between combatants and non-combatants, and where neither combatants and non-combatants, and where heither side inflicts injuries which it is not prepared to receive without a murmur in its turn. The present militant tactics ignore all fair rules of war. To burn a man's home over his head as he slept was considered a "nithing's deed" even in the fierc Icelandic days

We fear that this lady has illusions concerning varfare that are not justified by the facts of the case. War is not the humane and civilised thing that she appears to think. True, it differs profoundly from Suffragist militancy; it differs in being infinitely more violent, and incalculably more costly in life and in property. The distinctions drawn between combatants and non-combatants are imaginary rather than real, as the following facts will show. The laws and usages of war permit that an invading army may on grounds of military necessity devastate whole tracts of country, burning dwellings and clearing the district of supplies.\*

Any town or village, even though unfortified, provided it is "defended," may be bombarded, and the besieger is under no obligation to allow any portion of the population of a place to leave it, even when the bombardment is about to begin !

These rules of honourable warfare mean that nonombatants suffer hideously in time of war. Only a woman who belongs to a nation which has not for generations seen warfare within its own shores could say or suggest that non-combatants are immune from the consequences of war. Mr. Henry Nevinson, whose experience as a war correspondent entitles him to speak with authority, tells us that "in war women suffer even more than men." He says :

When war reaches a country, and is not merely

In the very South African War which is in queson the homes of non-combatants-of women, of

Without counting the loss and suffering of noncombatants-a loss and suffering which are uncountable-let us take the cost in public money and in oldiers' lives of the South African War. Two hundred and fifty million pounds and at least thirty housand lives spent to get Votes for Men! The alue of the property destroyed by Suffragists is invisible when compared with the cost of the South African War. The loss of life is nil, unless we count the lost lives of Suffragists themselves.

"In war," says our critic, "neither side inflicts injuries which it is not prepared to receive without a murmar in its turn." Militant Suffragists can uthfully say that for every injury they inflict upon Cabinet Ministers they are prepared to suffer the same, and even greater, injury themselves. The fact s that for every shaking and for every fright they have given to Ministers the militants have paid a hundredfold. The militants have been insulted and assaulted with brutality, and even with indecency. They have been hurled violently out of meetings for asking questions and making reasonable interjec-

fragists is the most glorious that there can be, because they fight literally against fearful odds. this enquiry by the militants fills her with dismay. Ministers are guarded at the public expense by the police force and, if they desire it, by the army. Moreover, they are able to use the whole machinery of the law in the attempt to break the spirit by imprisoning the body of their enemy.

As to the public-the non-combatants-the care which has been taken to put them to no unnecessary risk is proved by this : that no single life has been lost, nor any real injury done, throughout the whole six years of militanc

What an idle criticism and what an amazing theory it is-that because women do not wage armed war fare there is no alternative for them save submission to injustice. How is civil war in the old sense pos sible nowadays ? Is it suggested that our standing army, with its highly skilled and specialised fighters. and its costly and scientific equipment, can be effect tively challenged by an armed force of rebels, even though these be men? Moreover, it is unlawful even to collect and drill such a force. In Ulster they threaten to attempt an armed rebellion-honourable civil war, as our critic calls it. If this threat is

civil war, as our critic calls it. If this threat is carried into effect we may safely predict that in the first five minutes more harm will be done than in all the six years of women's militant campaign. We think that the women's way is quite as good as this. It may not be war, but it is certainly mag-nificent. The militants, when they point to the in-consistency of approving the Boer War and condemn-ing Suffragist militancy, have laid hold of the essen-tial. Those who reply by talking of "rules of war" (which, as we have seen, are no kinder than the (which, as we have seen, are no kinder than the militants' practices) are misled by the non-ess The common principle which underlies both war and a revolt such as that of the militants is the uso of violence to subserve a cause deemed right

"The strangest thing about the Woman Suffrage lovement," said a man to me the other day, "is Movement," when war reaches a country, and is not merely an expedition of men sent abroad from our shores, the women suffer things beyond anything that it is possible for soldiers to suffer. marriage and motherhood do weaken a woman's en-trenchments, and it takes something far more real than mere enthusiasm to impel a married woman to tion the homes of non-combatants—of women, of little children, of aged fathers and mothers—were burnt to the ground, and the country round laid waste. This is what happens to non-combatants whenever war takes place. When towns and cities are besieged, and famine and disease ravage the population, it is the non-combatants who suffer no less than the soldiers. When a bombardment takes than the scheme soldiers. When a bombardment takes the soldiers. When a bombardment takes that mere enthusiasm to impel a married woman to go into the street at night and get arrested and go to prison. As a girl I found it gloriously easy to udentify myself first with one cause, then with another cause, always with *the* one cause that was more splendid in its aims than any other. Oh, the heart-wholeness of untrammelled youth, the glorious egotsm of the young that makes them eacrifice their trends and family so lightheartedly to an Idea! less than the soldiers. When a bombardment takes place it is non-combatants as well as combatants who meet their death. It is arrant sentimentality, and the worst possible logic, to say that war is more honourable and more humane than the militant was before, and now we are afraid of conception of the same right is reasoned of dispeters. was before, and now we are afraid We are afraid of separation, of the sea with its record of disasters, of disease, of death, of our own inadequacy; we are afraid of the Universe and of all the Beyond that is a blank. We want to keep our husbands and our children close to us. And yet we are driven by some-thing even deeper and stronger than our fear-to go to prison. And people who would never criticise us for playing bridge all day think it unwomanly of us to work at Clements Inn, and other people who go to the South of France every winter say we've no to the South of France every winter say we've no right to spend a month or two in Holloway. I am an American B.A., and after I took my degree I set sail for Japan, and travelled round the world, with scarce a twinge of home-sickness or long-ing for my family. Now I have a husband, who is a Britisher, and two children, and when my husband a birthight, and two three I am, frankly, lonely, and when I have to leave my babies, my heart is torn. And yet, a few weeks ago I walked down Whitehall

excited. I was just cold and the an at each elbow, as I walked away, with a policeman at each elbow, through a double line of cheering onlookers. Why did I do it? Why do any of us do it? My



# VOTES FOR WOMEN.

### TO MARRIED WOMEN

and three a stone at one of the Treasury windows. I knew I would be arrested and be sentenced to prison. I was not the least bit enthusiastic or excited. I was just cold and tired and homesick,

FOR THE MAN IN THE STREET

when Votes for Women ton readers, to answer some of the questions tha present themselves to the minds of those not yet convinced of the urgency of Woman Suffrage

Question 1.- Is it true, as Anti-Suffragists constantly assert, that they are supported by the great majority of thoughtful women in the country ?

Answer.-This sweeping statement is entirely without foundation. Nothing is more significant than the existence of only one Anti-Suffrage League to represent the entire organised opposition to Woman Suffrage in comparison with the three major Woman Suffrage societies and the innumerable smaller Suffrage bodies (about forty in number), including Artists', Actresses', and Writers' Leagues a Church League, Free Church League, and Catholic Women's League; Conservative and Unionist Women's Franchise Society, Forward Women's Suffrage Union (Liberal women), New Constitu-tional Suffrage Society, the Cymric Women's tional Suffrage Society, the Cymric Women's League; unions representing English and Scottish Universities, Industrial and Professional women and Gymnastic Teachers; five Irish Leagues; and five Leagues for men only, to say nothing of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance, which has no parallel among Anti-Suffragists of various countries. Among other organised bodies of women which have declared in favour of Woman Suffrage are the British Women's Temperance Association, Women's Liberal Federation, Association of Head Mistresses, Association of Assistant Mistresses, Women's Co-operative Guild, Women's Industrial Society, and the National Union of Women Workers. Society, and the National Union of Women Workers. Among important political associations which have committed themselves to the principle are the National Union of Conservative and Constitutional Associations (five times since 1887), the National Liberal Federation, the Labour Party, and the Independent Labour Party. In the Standard of December 27, 1911, particulars were published of the percentages of Suffragists in varions important societies. These go to show that 72.2 per cent. of the Executive Committee of the Women's Trade Union League are Suffragists, 80 per cent. of the women officers of the Anti-Sweating League are in favour, while of the sweating League are in favour, while of the women on the Executive Com-mittees of the Women's Industrial Council, the Humanitarian League (General Council), and the International Association for Labour Legislation, the percentages are respectively 76.9, 66.6, and 80. the percentages are respectively 76.9. 66.

Question 2.—Is it fair to object that the married mother is not the legal guardian of her own children, when the father is solely responsible for their support?

Answer .- It is not true to say that the husband is alone liable for the maintenance of the children of the marriage. If a man becomes destitute, his wife is legally bound by law to the extent of her separate property to support him and the children; it should be noted, however, that no fresh accession of rights over her children comes to a woman auto of rights over her children comes to a woman auto-matically with this increase of responsibility. More-over, altogether apart from legal obligations, large numbers of children every year, by the descrition or ill-health of their fathers, become wholly or partly dependent upon their mothers. Exact statistics are not available, but the fact that at the time of the 1901 Census 13.2 per cent. of married women in Eng-land and Wales were in paid employment helps us to realise the contribution made by mothers to the maintenance of those whom a Member of Parlia-ment once described as "their husband's children."

### Question 3.- If women are enfranchised, will not this lead to domestic strife?

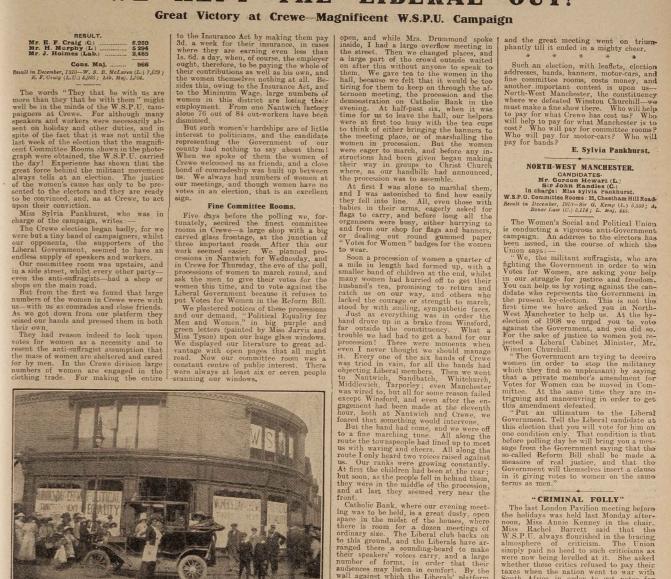
Answer.—It is impossible to enumerate all the causes that now lead to domestic strife. There is no ground for supposing that these will be added to when the woman in the home has a vote and takes an interest in the affairs of the world for which she has to prepare her children. Indeed, there is every hope that one cause of domestic strife will be removed— 

# VOTES FOR WOMEN.

**REMOVE THE CAUSE!** 

Militancy Discussed by Prominent Men and Women

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"The question is not whether their spirit deserves blame or praise, but what in the name of God shall we do with it?"\_Burke.

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# MR. GEORGE LANSBURY, M.P.

<text><text><text><text><text><text><text> that there is a majority in favour of this, and, secondly, to let the women know that they intend to use every form in the House of Commons to secure this end? What is causing militancy and what is bringing about these terrible outrages is

# ORGANISED BRUTALITY TO WOMEN

There has been a tendency to make light of the English militant movement and to scoff at its manifestations. This was inertiable, in view of the misrepresentations in the Irish Press. But this attitude of minore the construction of the movement which have been universal indifferent contempt can no longer brast week in Dublin. The English Prime reaction in the interests of a political factors are with Mr. Asquith, followed him, Their action in Dublin has been anticipated, at the strungle that is going on in England. The man tendent of the events of the symptom of a deep-state of the symptom of the definition of the symptom of the definition of the symptom of the sy

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WE KEPT THE LIBERAL OUT!

# Great Victory at Crewe-Magnificent W.S.P.U. Campaign

and at last they seemed very near the front. Catholic Bank, where our evening meeting was to be held, is a great dusty, open space in the midst of the houses, where there is room for a dozen meetings of ordinary size. The Liberal club backs on to this ground, and the Liberals have arranged there a sounding-board to make their speakers' voices carry, and a large number of forms, in order that their audiences may listen in comfort. By the wal against which the Liberals' platform was erected, but some twenty yards neare to the street, stood the wagonette from which we were to speak, and as we came marching up with our band playing lustly, the Liberals were ranged in a solid features and wide open mouths, yelling with all their might. Miss Barbara Wylie, who bore our tri-oolour, and I mounted the wagonette, and a saw our ranks come sweeping up vaster "CRIMINAL FOLLY" The last London Pavilion meeting before the holidays was held last Monday after-noon, Miss Annie Kenney in the chair, Miss Rachel Barrett said that the W.S.P.U. always flourished in the bracing almosphere of criticism. The Union simply paid no heed to such criticisms as were now being levelled at it. She asked whether these critics refused to pay their taxes when the nation went to war with South Africa in order to get votes for British men who did not want to wait five years for them? If not, let them stop talking about the fundamental wickedness

1832, 1867, and 1884 were great and im-portant, but they thought nothing at all about the crisis of 1912. Various news-paper headlines proclaimed "Criminal Folly," referring to the actions of women. The "Criminal Folly" lay with the Government. When women were driven almost to desperation by seeing the lives of their fellow-women, and when men were callous to their appeals, how could critics dare to tell those women they were guilty of "criminal folly"? The "criminal folly" lay on the other side.

QUITE NECESSARY! Mr. Asquith's Odyssey to London after the scenes of remarkable enthusiasm in Dublin was marked by a certain furtiveattacks from Suffragettes.-The Spectator.

### ADVICE

When engaged in a Suffragist me sure you hit the right person. An a Liberal recently hit one of the deta in mistake for a male Suffragist wh committed an assault. In the wife of a prominent Libe in the heat of the moment face of an innocent lady bysi belief that she was the per-

# "VOTES FOR WOMEN" HOLIDAY CAMPAIGN

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mest The Holiday Campaign in other direc-tions is also going ahead splendidly. Most encouraging letters are daily received by Mrs. Ayrton-Gould as a result of the appeal made in these columns. It is impossible to quote more than one or two, much as we should like to give them all. One member tells us that she and a friend had planned a week's cycling tour in Kent, and they now mean to make it a Vorzs ron Woxrsx week. Most heartily we wish them luck! Another member writes that she cannot take a real holiday this summer because she has given all her money to the Cause, but she is going to Leigh-on-Sea for a week's rest, and will gladly sell the paper there, "if that will be of any use." It will indeed be of use, and if all members of the W.S.P.U. show similar unselfishness and enthusians —they are giving every indication of doing so—we shall have doubled our circulation by the time the Editors return to active work in October: The Holiday Campaign in other dire

by the time the Editors return to active work in October: Miss Hughes appeals for volunteers to undertake a Vorrs ron WOMEN Campaign in Harrogate, and keep the W.S.P.U. sho open while the regular workers take their holiday. She will gladly lend her rooms to any member who will take charge of the campaign there. We hope some one will be ready to do this, for, as the inhabitants of Barmouth have said to Miss Foster and

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The New VOTES FOR WOM

# THE CHARGE AGAINST DR. ETHEL SMYTH

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seems to have made many converts, which shows how useful paper selling is as an ex-cuse for propaganda. We have not space for more reports of what is being done through the energy and enterprise of the members of the Union who are thus converting themselves into agents for Vorus rone Wonker during the holiday season. Next week we hope to publish some pictures of holiday-makers who are thus devoting part of their play time to the Cause, and to give more details of the widespread work that is being done. Meanwhile, we remind all those at work that it is important to make the Campaign permanent in its results by securing regular subscribers whenever possible, by pointing out to local newsagents the advantages of stocking Yorzs ron Wonks and displaying the weekly poster, and by leaving behind in every place visited - a regular paper seller if possible. Mrs. Ayrton-Gould (to whom all com-munications in reference to the Holiday Campaign should be sent, at 4, Clement's Inn Strand, W.C.) is ready to supply special purple, white and green banners, suitable for advertising Vorzs ron Wonks on tents, stalls, pony carts, motor cars, &c., at 1s, 3d, each for the first one, and is, each for others ordered at the same time (a few hand-stencilled ones at 1s. 6d, esigned in the colours by Miss Hild Dallas

time (a few hand-stencilled ones at is, ou-each). Also the new picture poster, de-signed in the colours by Miss Hilda Dallas (of which we give a reduced drawing on this page), price 3d. each for one, and 2d. each for others ordered at the same time. She will also be glad to send free leaflets describing the paper, and the colours and to lend decorations in the colours, bunting, &c., for special occasions, Mrs. Ayrton-Gould hopes that no member or friend of the W.S.P.U. will take a holiday without communicating with her, as she will be able to suggest ways in which even one hour a week can be spent in ad-vertising or spreading the sale of Vorus row Wourks, and will also, if requested, put holiday-makers into touch with one

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# WHAT IT MAY COME TO Suffragettes' Siege of Ministers

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National Council of Sinn Fein ekly meeting on July 25, adoption ion condemning as un-Irish and Weekly meeting on July 20, adopted lution condemning as un-Irish and un-ily the forcible interference with the t of any section of Irishwomen pub-t to claim the Suffrage, and appealing Irishmen, irrespective of their politics, sustain Ireland's reputation of always ing held women in respect.

### OUR LORDS

suffragists, one of them a well-woman lawyer, who has recently ted a Supreme Court case with brilliancy and success, were reading altimore convention news on a bul-oard. Two dilapidated looking men satching them, and one was over-to say: "Look at them women the news. What do you spose they hout it?" Cwo suffrag

lied the other seedy one, "I don't s'pose they think Boston Woman's Journal.

### RESIGNATIONS

erstood that there are an ab-ber of vacancies as female offimers.-The Daily Graphic.

HOLLOWAY. Neill, Miss Marie. (Four Months.) WANDSWORTH. Gray, Mr. Charles. (Two Months h.l.)

### MISS ISA LAWLOR

MISS ISA LAWLOR Miss Isa Lawlor, who, it will be remem-bered, broke a window in the General Post Office, Dublin, was fined 408, and cost of replacing the window, and allowed a week in which to pay, has now been informed that the fine has been paid by some un-known person. Needless to say, this has been done without Miss Lawlor's know-ledge, as she definitely declined to pay.

# LEGAL DEFENCE FUND

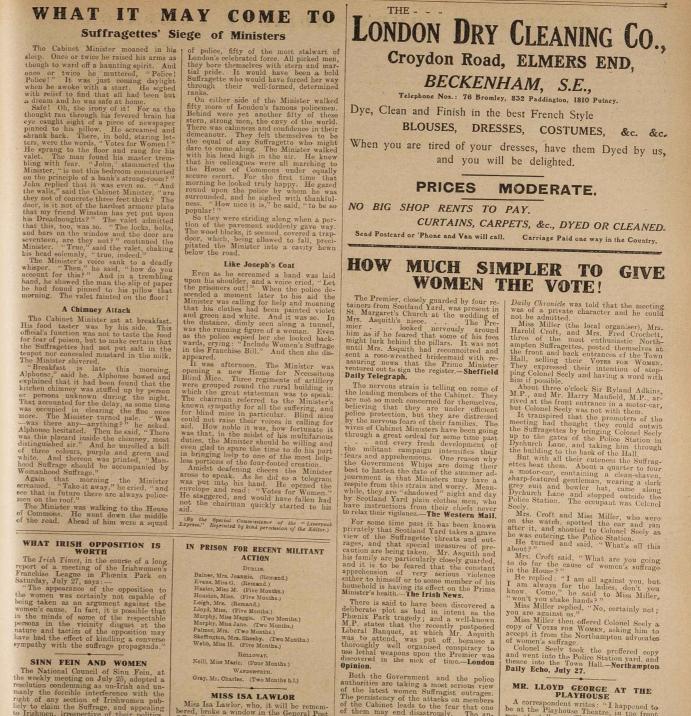
Miss Goodliffe will be glad to receiv urther contributions for the Legal D ence Fund. Over £40 has so far bee ent in, and the suffragists still in prise sent in, and the suffragists still in prison are much cheered to learn that their friends are caring for their defence. Mis Mordan, vere generous, has been promp in sending 25, and contributions have come from all parts, including Scotland and ever Johannesburg. Contributions for the purpose should be sent to Miss Goodliffe 62, High Street, Hampstead, N.W. Mise

### MR. GRAY

Meetings are being held near Wands worth Prison by the Men's Political Union for Women's Enfranchisement, and a symie sympathy of all our readers will go to Miss Edith Stacy in the great bather. Miss Stacy in the death of lather. Miss Statewise in the death of lather in the death of lather. Miss Statewise in the death of lather in the death of tions. The local members of the Women's Social and Political Union got wind of the visit and made preparations for a demonstraand made preparations for the solution, The meeting was exclusively for mem-bers of the Radical Association, and stewards posted at the doors would allow no one to enter without a ticket. The representative of the Northampton



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DEMONSTRATION AT ABERDEEN from Heaven, directly atom insupproval futtered out of the W.S.P.U. office, the clouds rolled away and the sun smiled again. The speakers held forth from four platforms on a grassy knoll overlooking the sea, each platform surrounded by a real Scottish crowd. "fathers in politics," men with a keen, critical ear, ready to come which a keen, critical ear, ready down in a moment on any inacc exaggeration, women who took first political lesson very kindly, sure to talk to their husbands ; later; even the Aberdeen small b same to scoff, stood and listener menthed The

d. Press said 5,000 were present. were about 7,000 round Mrs. ond's platform alone! Miss Sylvia irst got most of the heckling, as the evidently thought her the most cross swords with. They were

worthy to cross swords with. They were well silenced. Miss Brackenbury's and Mr. Nevinson's audience thoroughly appreciated all their hits at the Government: earnest attention prevailed round Miss Wylie and Mr. Clay-ton, while Miss Joan Dugdale's sermon, with Jael and her hammer as text, was not considered irreverent, and Mrs. Drum-mond's fine speech went home, every word. The resolutions were carried, 500 Vorgs rox Women sold (Mrs. Coutts alone sold 100), a collection was taken, and then Aberdeen went home to tea and to talk over the truths they had heard. J. S. D. Excellent reports appeared in the Aber-

Excellent reports appeared in the Aber-deen Free Press and the Aberdeen Daily Journal of Monday, July 29.

### HITCHIN DEMONSTRATION

rday will be fine, with fleetin torms," declared a lady who wa to join in the Procession; "i' in my Old Moore's Almanac." e enough, Saturday was fine, and ing thunderstorms vented their

And, true enougn, Saturnay was any ender the fleeting thunderstorms vented their fury in the morning only. By 530 Hitchim Market Place, where our band had begun to play, was one seeth-ing mass of humanity, through which a harassed organiser, carrying a bundle of purple, white, and green bannerettes, pushed her way with some difficulty. She was followed closely, wherever she moved, hy a large part of the future procession, which in its enthusiasm was terribly afraid of getting left out or left behind. By six o'clock we had taken our stand in Bancroit, the banners were being unfurled and the bannerottes given out, while every moment more women-and mor mem-arrived, anxious to march, and wen on arriven, still, their, numbers exceede our wildest hopes. But that is, of course the great distinguishing characteristic of the great distinguishing characteristic of

our wildest hopes. But that is, of course, the great distinguishing characteristic of any show in which Suffragettes are con-cerned; it always does exceed the pro-moter's wildest hopes! At 6.30 to the minute the procession started off, headed by the proudly-march-ing standard-bearer. Its rear was brought up by the famous W.S.P.U. car. It wonded its way through the quaint old town and winding streets. Some unkind critic stold us that '' Sleepy Hollow'' was the local mame for Hitchin. If so, Sleepy Hollow woke up for once in its life on that fine Saturday evening in July! Every street was lined with crowds of men and women. Wather Up 1

The Market Place there were two platforms: at one of which the Hor Evelina Haverfield, Miss E. Wylie, an Mrs. Mackworth were the speakers, whil at the other Dr. Helen Hanson took the chair. Mrs. Mansel spoke to a most at tentive and thoughtful audience for ore an hour and a half. Members came to help from all the dis tricts round-Letchworth, St. Alhans Harpenden, Knebworth - and specia thask are due to Miss Pym, Miss Gilford Miss Hull, Mrs. Kidd, and others for al they did towards ensuring the success o the demostration. Several Hitchin correspondents have written indignantly reputiating the reports tration as a failure: the brillingt success of the procession and meeting is admitted on all hands, and what little disturbances taused by one noisy individual. In the Market Place there were tw

We have received the first number of a new and interesting magazine, *The Magnie* (price 3d.). Among the contributors for August are E. O. E. Somerrille and Martin Ross, Lady Sybil Grant, and others.

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