

questions which concern the country. Law will and must be brought into harmony with their deepest convictions, and was it not desirable that they should make themselves heard before the law was passed? There would always be a number of women who would have much influence; those who can make themselves heard by voice or pen will always have influence, but they asked for the protection and power of the vote on behalf of the large number of women who cannot do either. The householders are carrying on a hard struggle for life. They ought to make themselves felt by their votes when they cannot do so in any more conspicuous way. She did not feel discouraged, for they could not really be thrown back. Only they must not rest on this; they must feel that success would only come when each woman was doing her duty, and she trusted each woman there was prepared to do her duty. (Applause.)



National Society for Women's Suffrage

CENTRAL COMMITTEE

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REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESENTED AT THE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD IN THE

Westminster Town Hall

MAY 31ST, 1892.

*With Appendix "Women's Suffrage Candidates for the
General Election."*

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CENTRAL COMMITTEE

OF THE

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

Your Committee have this year the satisfaction of recording a debate and division on the second reading of a Women's Suffrage Bill, for the first time in the life of the present Parliament. The result has indicated a marked advance in the growing force of the movement.

The steps which led up to this debate may be briefly stated. In anticipation of the important Conference of the National Union of Conservative Associations, which was held in Birmingham last November, your Committee in the autumn took counsel with some of the influential Conservative supporters of Women's Suffrage with a view to the inclusion of Women's Suffrage in the questions for deliberation at the Conference: as a result of these negotiations Viscount Feilding (now Lord Denbigh) introduced the following Resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Rankin, M.P. :—

"That this Conference is of opinion that when the question of representation of the people is re-opened in Parliament, serious consideration should be given to the claims of women to be admitted to the franchise when entitled by ownership or occupation."

An invitation was conveyed by the Chairman to Mrs. Fawcett from the Conference of Delegates asking her to address a few words to them on the question. The Resolution when put to the meeting was carried by a very large majority amid much enthusiasm. In the afternoon of the same day a ladies' confer-

ence in connection with the National Union of Conservative Societies was held, presided over by Lady Windsor, and attended among others by the Marchioness of Salisbury and Lady Gwendolen Cecil. Mrs. Fawcett and Mr. Dixon Hartland, M.P., addressed this meeting on the importance of extending the Parliamentary Franchise to women.

In December a deputation from your Committee waited on Sir A. Borthwick to lay before him an earnest request that he would undertake to introduce a Bill into Parliament this session for extending the Franchise to those women who already possess the various local franchises. After carefully considering the request of your Committee, Sir Algernon Borthwick most kindly promised to take charge of the Bill and do all in his power to get it passed.

On the opening of Parliament a considerable number of M.P.'s balloted for a day for the second reading of the Bill. Sir Albert Rollit was fortunate in securing the earliest place, and according to the custom of Parliament, the Bill was then passed to his charge. April 27th was secured for the second reading, being the first Wednesday after the Easter recess.

Notice of opposition was immediately given by Mr. Samuel Smith, also by Mr. De Lisle, Mr. Radcliffe Cooke, and Mr. John Kelly.

The text of the Bill was prepared, after much careful consideration and consultation with experienced parliamentary draughtsmen, in a form which your Committee could heartily support, and immediately after it was printed,* they began

* Text of the Women's Franchise Bill [55 Vict.] Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women).

A Bill to extend the Parliamentary Franchise to Women. Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—1. This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Act, 1892. 2. Every woman who—(1) In Great Britain is registered or entitled to be registered as an elector for any town council or county council; or (2) In Ireland is a ratepayer entitled to vote at an election for guardians of the poor; shall be entitled to be registered as a parliamentary elector, and when registered to vote at any parliamentary election for the county, borough, or division wherein the qualifying property is situate.

(Prepared and brought in by Sir Albert Rollit, Sir A. Borthwick, Viscount

active preparation in its support. In addition to the whip sent out by the Parliamentary Leaders, a joint whip, signed by the officers of your Committee and the Committees of the Central National, Manchester, Bristol, Birmingham, Nottingham, Leeds, Edinburgh, Dublin, and Belfast Societies, was sent to all Members of Parliament not known to be opponents. A letter, written by Mrs. Fawcett in reply to Mr. Samuel Smith's pamphlet, was sent to the newspapers immediately on the rising of Parliament for the Easter recess. This letter appeared in full in the *Morning Post*, *Morning Advertiser*, *Manchester Examiner*, *Leicester Post*, and several other papers, while many more gave extracts or comments.

Meantime the opponents were exerting themselves to a quite unprecedented extent against the Bill. First an attempt was made to prolong the Easter recess over the 27th. This, however, met with no encouragement from the Leader of the House of Commons. An adverse whip* was then issued, signed by twenty members drawn equally from each side of the House. Finally, the week before the day fixed for second reading, Mr. Gladstone addressed a letter to Mr. Samuel Smith, which was widely circulated in pamphlet form, and which urged Parliament to decline giving a second reading to the Bill.

This action on the part of the Leader of Her Majesty's Opposition doubtless determined the action of many wavering Liberals against the Bill, while the speech of the Leader of the House in its support may have determined some waverers on the Conservative side to vote in its favour. All shades of party are represented amongst both the ayes and the noes.

Wolmer, Mr. W. M'Laren, Mr. Penrose Fitzgerald, Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. Burt and Mr. Ernest Spencer.) Notice of opposition, that the Bill be read this day six months, has been given by Mr. Samuel Smith, by Mr. John Kelly, and by Mr. Radcliffe Cooke.

* The whip issued against the Bill was as follows:—Women's Suffrage Bill. The second reading of this Bill will be moved on April 27th. You are earnestly requested to be present in the House of Commons, not later than 4.30, for the purpose of opposing the motion. H. H. Asquith, W. B. Barttelot, M. Hicks-Beach, J. L. Carew, J. Chamberlain, H. Chaplin, R. Churchill, Geo. N. Curzon, T. G. Esmonde, H. H. Fowler, Geo. Hamilton, W. G. V. Harcourt, Henry James, H. Labouchere, J. R. Mowbray, A. J. Mundella, J. W. Pease, J. A. Picton, Edward J. Reed, M. W. Ridley.

The second reading of the Bill was moved by Sir Albert Rollit in a speech of unusual force and value. Its rejection was moved by Mr. Samuel Smith, and the debate was continued by Mr. Woodall, Mr. Wyndham, Mr. Courtney, and Mr. Balfour, who spoke in its support; whilst Col. Barttelot, Professor Bryce, Mr. Asquith and Sir Henry James spoke in opposition. The debate was marked by an unusually high standard of excellence both in the power and the tone of the speeches, so that the question may be said to have been raised by the debate of 1892 to a higher level than it had ever before reached. The extremely important speech of the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour has given the question a distinct place amongst the practical measures of the near future.

The division showed 152 for, 175 against—majority against, 23; there were 25 pairs. A full report of the speeches and the division list has been issued by your Committee and circulated to their subscribers. Of the members who voted there were (including tellers and pairs):—

	For.	Against.
English,	133	164
Welsh,	8	6
Scotch,	20	23
Irish,	18	9
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	179	202

The evening before the debate a conversazione of those interested in the Woman's Suffrage Bill was held at the Galleries of the Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours, Piccadilly, and brought together a numerous and influential company. The following ladies formed the Committee of Reception:—The Lady Frances Balfour, Mrs. Leonard Courtney, Miss Courtenay, Mrs. Culme Seymour, Miss Davenport-Hill, Mrs. Fawcett, Lady Matheson, Mrs. Penrose Fitzgerald, The Lady Rayleigh, Mrs. Henry Sidgwick, Mrs. Temple, Mrs. Westlake, The Lady Maude Wolmer.

Short addresses were given during the evening by Mrs. Fawcett and Miss Tod.

Successful drawing-room meetings have been held this spring, by the kind invitation of Captain and Mrs. James, in Lexham Gardens; of Miss Bell, in Bayswater, the Rev. J. C. Ridgway presiding; of Misses Gurney in Kensington, Mr. Lafone, M.P., presiding; and of Mrs. Shillington, in Wandsworth. In February Miss Reid kindly arranged a meeting in Hammersmith, Prebendary Snowden in the Chair.

Mrs. Fawcett, in November, addressed a meeting at Coventry, by invitation of the Coventry Primrose League, Mr. C. H. Richards presiding; and in February at Southend-on-Sea, by invitation of the Conservative Association of that town, Major Rasch, M.P., presiding. Mrs. Fawcett has also addressed meetings at Birmingham and Southport, in connection with the Women's Suffrage Societies of the respective districts. She has spoken on the political work of women at Liverpool, Manchester, Cambridge, and Thrapstone, and has addressed debating societies in Lewisham, Norwood, and Bloomsbury, and at Toynbee Hall. She also addressed a meeting at Bradford-on-Avon, Wilts, presided over by the Hon. Canon Meade, which meeting was also addressed by Mrs. Beddoe and Mrs. Hallett.

Miss Mordan has addressed debating societies at Wandsworth, Woodbury Down, and a Primrose League meeting at Ingham.

The thanks of your Committee are due to Miss Petrie, B.A., Mrs. Benjamin Clarke and Mrs. Stopes for speaking at Debates.

Periodical meetings of friends actively helping the work have been held at the Society's office during the winter, which your Committee believe have been useful in suggesting and extending work, especially in regard to private discussion parties and circulation of literature.

The requests for literature which have been received at your office during the past year have been much more numerous than in any preceding year, which in itself is an indication of growing interest in the subject.

Your Committee have to record with sorrow the death of Miss A. J. Clough, which removes from their General Com-

mittee an ever ready sympathizer in all their efforts. The death of Mrs. Charles Holland has taken one of their earliest and most generous supporters—the list of donations in this report includes her name as a donor of £100. Yet another valued member has passed away in Miss Amelia B. Edwards. They also regret to record the death of Miss Lucy Wilson, one of the early band of workers in the cause of women's progress. Miss E. L. Browne, Mrs. Hall Anderson, Mrs. Sims, all workers of early days, have also passed away.

Your Committee received the following letter in acknowledgment of a resolution of condolence sent to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales on the occasion of the lamented death of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale:—

Sandringham, Norfolk.

"Sir Francis Knollys is desired to convey to the Members of the Central Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage the sincere thanks of the Prince and Princess of Wales for the warm sympathy they have expressed on the occasion of their Royal Highnesses' bereavement."

A letter was also received from the Duchess of Teck in reply to a resolution of a similar character addressed to herself and the Princess May.

Turning now to future action—a General Election is at hand and all political parties are inviting the active participation of women in the contest, as canvassers or speakers. It is earnestly hoped that all women who are thus asked to undertake political work will question the candidate they are invited to support as to his views on Women's Suffrage. The old prejudice, that women have nothing to do with politics, has been completely broken down in the face of the political work which women are encouraged to do. This is in itself a great gain for the cause of their political enfranchisement. If women are fitted to canvass and to influence the votes of others by political argument, they cannot be unfit to vote themselves. All candidates should be pressed to define the ground on which they stand upon the question of Women's Suffrage; and members and friends of this society are requested to report to this office the opinion of the candidates whom they have questioned on the subject of the

admission of the women householders and ratepayers to the Parliamentary Franchise.

In conclusion, your Committee make an earnest appeal to all friends of Women's Suffrage to come forward and help them with funds. Money is always a necessity for the successful carrying on of the work, but the increased activity called for by the approach of the General Election makes the question of finance even more important than in an ordinary year. A special fund has been opened for donations for electioneering work. Some of the old friends of the Society have once more come forward, and it is hoped that a considerable sum will be entrusted to the Committee to enable them to carry on active work during the next four months.

The following sums have already been promised:—

E. G. A.	-	-	£100
A Friend	-	-	25
Mrs. Sterling	-	-	10
Mrs. Fawcett	-	-	10
Miss Courtenay	-	-	10
Misses Tacey	-	-	5
Miss Mordan	-	-	5

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE,
CENTRAL COMMITTEE, 10, GREAT COLLEGE STREET, WESTMINSTER.

Receipts and Payments from July 1st 1891, to May 30th, 1892.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
By Balance	-	By Rent	40 0 0
" Donations	-	" Office Expenses	15 16 7
" Subscriptions	-	" Salaries	136 13 4
" Sale of Publications	-	" Meetings and Advertisements	64 12 8
		" Stationery	17 12 5
		" Printing and Publications	63 17 3
		" Postage	68 13 3
		" Secretary's Travelling Expenses	6 18 5
		" Newspapers and Parliamentary Papers	15 14 2
		" Fee for Legal Opinion	11 11 0
			441 9 1
Liabilities	19 0 0	Balance in Bank on General Fund	29 8 8
		" " on Three years Fund	86 0 0
		Cash in hand	115 8 8
			4 5 8
			<u>£561 3 5</u>

Examined, compared with the books and vouchers, and found correct,

M. HARRIS SMITH, Auditor.

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30th May, 1892.

General Annual Meeting of the Central Committee.

Westminster Town Hall, May 31st, 1892.

SIR ALGERNON BORTHWICK, Bart., M.P., in the Chair.

RESOLUTION I:

That this Meeting adopt the Report and Financial Statement and direct that they be printed for circulation.

Moved by Sir A. Borthwick, Bart., M.P.

Seconded by Mr. George Wyndham, M.P.

Supported by Prof. Jebb, M.P.

RESOLUTION II:

That this Meeting offers its hearty thanks to Sir Albert Rollit, and all members who support his Bill, and affirms its great satisfaction at the rapid progress towards success which has recently been made by the Women's Suffrage movement, and pledges itself to use all legitimate means to press the subject forward during the coming General Election.

Moved by Miss Tod.

Seconded by Mrs. Fawcett.

RESOLUTION III:

That the Executive Committee for the ensuing year consist of the following persons, with power to add to their number, and of delegates of Associated Societies:—

Professor Adamson, Miss Gertrude Andrews, Mrs. Ashford, Miss Baker, The Lady Frances Balfour, Miss Helen Blackburn, Miss Jessie Boucherett, Miss Frances Power Cobbe, Colonel Cotton-Jodrell, M.P., Miss Courtenay, The Right Hon. Leonard Courtney, M.P., Miss Emily Davies, Captain Edwards-Heathcote, M.P., Mrs. Henry Fawcett, Louisa Lady Goldsmid, Mrs. Hallett, Mrs. Haslam, Miss Lucy Johnson, Mrs. E. J. Mylne, Miss Mordan, Clara Lady Rayleigh, T. W. Russell, Esq., M.P., Mrs. Stephen Spring-Rice, Mrs. Sterling, Miss M. C. Sturge, Miss Tod, and Miss Vernon.

Moved by Lady Knightley.

Seconded by Col. Howard Vincent, M.P.

RESOLUTION IV:

That the best thanks of this Meeting be given to Sir Algernon Borthwick, for presiding on the present occasion.

Moved by Miss Emily Davies.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Dons.	Subs.
E. G. A. ...	100 0 0	
Adair, Mrs. H. ...		0 10 0
Allen, Miss ...		1 0 0
Anderson, Mrs. Hall (the late) ...		1 1 0
Anderson, Miss ...		0 2 6
Anderson, Miss A. ...		0 2 6
Anderson, Miss J. C. ...		0 2 6
Anthony, Miss ...		0 4 0
Ashford, Mrs. ...		1 1 0
Atkinson, Mrs. Beavington ...		0 5 0
Aylmer, Miss ...		1 1 0
Babb, Miss ...		2 2 0
Babb, J. Staines, Esq. ...		1 1 0
Bailey, Miss ...		0 10 0
Baily, J. T. H., Esq. ...		0 5 0
Bakewell, Miss E. M. ...		0 10 0
Barratt, Mrs. F. ...		1 0 0
Baxter, Mrs. Fleming ...		1 0 0
Baxter, Miss ...		0 5 0
Beechcroft, Miss ...		0 2 6
Biggs, Miss Ashurst ...		2 2 0
Beggs, Miss Maude ...		1 1 0
Bird, Miss Lucy (two years) ...		1 0 0
Black, Mrs. ...	0 3 0	
Blacker, Miss ...		0 2 6
Blackmore, Miss ...		0 5 0
Boddy, Dr. Clarinda ...		0 5 0
Borchardt, Miss ...		0 3 6
Bostock, Miss ...		1 0 0
Bridges, Mrs. ...	4 0 0	2 0 0
Brodhurst, Mrs. ...		0 10 0
Buchan, Dowager Countess ...	10 0 0	
Buckland, Miss ...		0 2 6
Burne, Miss ...		0 5 0
Burt, Miss N. S. ...		0 2 6
Bush, Misses ...		2 2 0
Byers, Mrs. ...		0 5 0
"Castle Townsend" ...		0 5 0
Charlesworth, Mrs. ...	1 0 0	0 5 0
Clarke, Mrs. P. ...		0 5 0
Clark, Miss Stanley ...		0 2 6
Chickall, Miss ...		0 2 6

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Dons.	Subs.
Colborne, Hon. Mrs. ...		0 10 0
Cook, Michael Esq. ...		0 5 0
Cooper, Miss ...		0 2 6
Cotton, Mrs. ...		1 1 0
Cowell, Mrs. H. ...		1 0 0
Courtney, Rt. Hon. Leonard, M.P. ...		1 0 0
Coxhead, Miss ...		0 10 0
Cozens, Miss ...		0 5 0
Crawshay, Mrs. R. M. ...	5 0 0	
Crawford, Miss Sibella ...		0 5 0
Crook, Mrs. ...		1 1 0
Crowe, Miss ...		1 0 0
Culme-Seymour, Mrs. ...		1 1 0
Currey, Miss F. W. ...	0 5 0	0 5 0
Darwin, Mrs. Francis ...		1 0 0
Davenport-Hill, Miss ...	1 1 0	1 1 0
Davenport-Hill, Miss F. ...	1 1 0	1 1 0
Davies, Miss Emily ...		1 1 0
Davies, Mrs. ...		0 5 0
Davis, Mrs. Israel ...		0 10 0
Debenham, Mrs. Wm. ...		0 10 0
Dimsdale, Baron, M.P. ...		3 3 0
Donkin, Miss ...		0 5 0
Dougal, Miss L. ...		0 2 6
Dublin Committee ...		1 0 0
Duer, Misses ...		0 10 0
Dunn, Miss ...		1 1 0
Eaton, Mrs. Lauder ...		0 5 0
Eccles, Miss ...		5 0 0
Edmunds, Miss ...		1 1 0
Ely, Miss ...		0 5 0
Eve, Mrs. ...		0 10 0
Egerton, Hon. Lady Grey ...		2 0 0
Fawcett, Mrs. Henry ...	10 0 0	5 0 0
Fawcett, Miss ...		1 0 0
Field, Mrs. Eastwick ...		0 5 0
Ford, Miss E. H. ...		3 0 0
Ford, Miss I. O. ...		5 0 0
Ford, Rawlinson, Esq. ...		1 1 0
Ford, Mrs. Rawlinson ...		1 1 0
Fitzgerald, Miss ...		0 2 6
Fitzgerald, Miss Frances ...		0 2 6
Gilliatt, Mrs. ...		1 1 0
Goff, Miss ...		0 2 6
Goldsmid, Louisa, Lady ...	25 0 0	2 2 0
Gordon, Miss ...		0 10 0
Graves, Mrs. ...		0 2 6
Green, Miss E. H. ...		1 0 0
Grey, Mrs. Wm. ...		2 2 0
Griffith, Dowager Lady Waldie ...	4 0 0	2 0 0
Grove, Miss ...		0 10 0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
	Dons.			Subs.			
Grinshawe, Mrs.	1	1	0	
Gurney, Miss M.	1	0	0	
Gurney, Miss A.	1	0	0	
Gwynne, Miss	0	10	0	
Hallett, T. G. P., Esq., and Mrs. Hallett	...	5	0	0	0	0	
Hamilton, Miss	0	5	0	
Hamley, Miss	0	2	6	
Hallwright, Mrs.	0	5	0	
Harberton, Viscountess	1	0	0	
Harrison, Mrs.	1	0	0	
Hart, Miss M. H.	0	5	0	
Heath, Mrs. Bayly	1	1	0	
Heberden, Mrs.	0	2	6	
Higgins, Mrs. Napier	1	0	0	
Higginson, Mrs.	1	0	0	
Hill, Miss Emily	0	2	6	
Hill, Miss Georgiana	0	2	6	
Hill, Mrs.	0	1	0	
Hodgson, Mrs. C. H.	3	3	0	
Holland, Mrs. Charles (the late)	...	100	0	0	0	0	
Holland, Miss Mabel	2	0	0	
Hope, Mrs. Curling	0	2	6	
Hope, Miss	...	0	2	0	0	0	
Hubbard, Mrs.	0	5	0	
Jeffcock, Mrs.	0	5	0	
Jex-Blake, Dr. Sophia	1	0	0	
Johnson, Miss Agnes	1	1	0	
Johnson, Miss Lucy	...	10	0	0	1	1	0
Jones, Miss Constance	1	1	0	
Jones, Miss H. M.	0	5	0	
Jordan, Mrs.	...	0	2	0	0	0	
Joy, Mr. and Mrs. A.	...	0	5	0	0	0	
Judd, Mrs.	0	5	0	
Kensington, Miss	0	5	0	
L. A. J.	...	1	0	0	0	0	
" (second don.)	...	1	0	0	0	0	
" (third don.)	...	1	0	0	0	0	
Lacey, Mrs. Bolton	0	10	0	
Lafone, Alfred, Esq., M.P.	2	2	0	
Lawrence, Miss D.	1	1	0	
Lawrence, Miss M.	1	1	0	
Lawrence, Miss P.	1	1	0	
Layland, Miss	...	0	5	0	0	0	
Lewin, Miss	0	4	0	
Light, Miss	1	1	0	
Lister, Miss Emma	0	5	0	
Lyttelton, Hon. and Rev. Edward	1	1	0	
Lyttelton, Hon. Mrs. Edward	1	1	0	
McKerlie, Miss Helen	0	5	0	
Manning, Miss E. A.	1	1	0	
Marshall, Dr. Mary	0	5	0	

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	Dons.			Subs.			
Marshall, John, Esq.	1	1	0	
Marshall, Mrs. John	1	1	0	
Martineau, Miss L. E.	1	0	0	
Massey, Miss	0	5	0	
Matheson, Lady	...	10	0	0	0	0	
Meinertzhagen, Miss	0	5	0	
Mitchell, Mrs. J. F.	1	1	0	
Moore, Miss Ogle	0	2	6	
Mordan, Miss	5	0	0	
Mordan, Augustus, Esq.	1	0	0	
Mosley, Miss M.	0	2	6	
Muller, Mrs.	1	0	0	
Mylne, Mrs. J. E.	...	5	0	0	10	0	
Nathan, Mrs. Henry	0	2	6	
Newman, Prof. F. W.	1	0	0	
Notcutt, Miss	0	5	0	
O'Connor, Miss	0	5	0	
Onley, Miss	0	2	6	
Paley, Hon. Mrs.	2	0	0	
Paine, Mrs. Lewis	0	5	0	
Paul, Miss Lillie	0	2	6	
Pereira, Hon. Mrs.	2	2	0	
Phillott, Mrs.	0	5	0	
Phillott, Miss Constance	0	5	0	
Phillott, Miss Edith	0	5	0	
Pierpoint, Miss	0	2	6	
Ponsonby, Hon. Mrs.	0	5	0	
Porter, Miss	0	5	0	
Pym, Mrs. Guy	1	1	0	
Rayleigh, Clara, Lady	2	0	0	
Reid, Miss	0	2	6	
Roberts, Sir Owen and Lady	2	2	0	
Robertson, Miss	1	0	0	
Rolleston, Miss	0	1	0	
Ruth, Miss	1	0	0	
Schaw-Protheroe, Miss	...	5	0	0	10	6	
Scott, Mrs.	0	10	6	
Scott, Miss Louisa B.	...	0	5	0	0	0	
Seakins, Mrs.	0	5	0	
Shaen, Mrs.	1	1	0	
Shaen, Miss	1	1	0	
Shanks, Mrs.	0	2	6	
Shedden, Mrs. E. C.	0	2	6	
Shedden, Mrs. R.	0	2	6	
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Smith, Mrs. St. Osythe Eustace	1	1	0	
Smith, Miss M. Harris	...	0	10	6	0	10	6
Spring-Rice, Mrs. S.	1	1	0	
Spriggs, Miss	...	0	5	0	0	0	0

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Stansfield, Miss	0	10	0
Sterling, Mrs.	2	0	0
Sterling, Miss	2	0	0
Stone, Miss	1	0	0
Strange, Miss L. G.	1	1	0
Streatfield, Mrs.	2	2	0
Tabor, Miss M. C.	0	5	0
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Tacey, Miss Alice	2	0	0
Tacey, Miss Anne	2	0	0
Tapson, Mrs.	2	2	0
Tatlock, Miss	0	10	0
Taylor, Mrs. Thomas	0	5	0
Thomas, Mrs. Charles	1	0	0
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Thorne, Mrs.	0	5	0
Topham, Mrs.	0	2	6
Toynbee, Miss	0	5	0
Twining, Miss Louisa	1 1 0	0	5	0
Vansittart, Mrs.	0	5	0
Vernon, Miss	0	10	6
Vickery, Dr. Alice	0	5	0
Wainwright, Miss	0	5	0
Walker, Miss Abney	1	0	0
Walker, Miss J. H.	1	1	0
Walker, Mrs. Ingram	0	10	0
Wall, Miss Mack	0	10	0
Waterman, Miss	1 0 0	0	10	0
Wedgwood, Miss Julia	1	0	0
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Welsh, Miss	1	0	0
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Westlake, Mrs.	0	10	0
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Wilkinson, Miss F. R.	1	1	0
Wilson, Miss Dupré	1 0 0	0	2	6
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The object of the Society is to obtain the Parliamentary Franchise for Women on the same conditions as it is, or may be granted to men.

The Society seeks to achieve this object—

1. By acting as a centre for the collection and diffusion of information with regard to the progress of the movement in all parts of the country.
2. By holding Public Meetings in support of the repeal of the Electoral Disabilities of women.
3. By the publication of Pamphlets, Leaflets, and other Literature bearing upon the question.

RULES.

PASSED AT THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND SUBSCRIBERS TO ITS FUNDS, HELD JULY 17TH, 1872.

1. The Central Committee shall consist of the present members and such others as the Executive Committee may, from time to time, elect.
2. The Executive Committee shall consist of members of the Central Committee, to be elected at the Annual General Meeting, and of single delegates, the same being members of Local Committees, appointed by Local Associations to represent them; the Executive Committee having power to add to the Central Committee, and to its own number, and to appoint the Officers.
3. A subscription of any amount constitutes membership of the National Society.
4. A General Meeting of the Central Committee shall be held once a year to appoint the Executive Committee, to receive the Annual Report and the Financial Statement and to transact any other business which may arise.
5. The Executive Committee shall, at its first meeting, appoint the Officers.
6. A Special General Meeting may be called by the Executive Committee at any time; or, at the written request of not less than twenty-five members of the Central Committee the Secretary or Secretaries shall call a Special General Meeting to discuss such matters only as are mentioned in the notice of such meeting.
7. Eight days' public notice shall be given of all General Meetings.
8. The above rules shall not be altered except at a General Meeting, after fourteen days' notice of the proposed alteration given to the Executive Committee.

APPENDIX TO ANNUAL REPORT.

Women's Suffrage Candidates

FOR THE

General Election

Of whose opinions information has reached the Committee up to date of issue.

THOSE candidates who as Members of the present or of previous Parliaments have voted in support of Women's Suffrage are printed in capitals, those who voted for Sir Albert Rollit's Bill being distinguished by an *.

Of new candidates, those who have replied in the affirmative to the enquiry whether they would support a measure for extending the Parliamentary Franchise to women who already possess the various local franchises are distinguished by a §. Others have spoken in public or otherwise shewn themselves in favour.

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*AGG-GARDNER, J. T.	C.	Cheltenham.
AIRD, JOHN	C.	Paddington, North.
Allen, Egerton	G. L.	Pembroke District.
Allison, R. A.	G. L.	Cumberland, Eskdale.
§Annand, J.	G. L.	Tynemouth.
*ANSTRUTHER, C. L.	C.	Suffolk, Woodbridge.
ARNOLD, ARTHUR	G. L.	Dorset, North.
§Arnold, Alfred	C.	Halifax.
ASHMEAD-BARTLETT, E.	C.	Sheffield, Eccleshall.
§Askew, W. Robertson	C.	Northumberland, Berwick-on-Tweed.
§Bagot, Capt	C.	Westmoreland, South.
*BAIN, SIR JAMES	C.	Cumberland, Whitehaven
*BALFOUR, RT. HON. A. J.	C.	Manchester, East.

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*BALFOUR, J. S.	G. L.	Burnley.
*BANES, MAJOR	C.	West Ham, South.
Baptie, J. Proctor	G. L.	Bath.
*BEACH, W. W. B.	C.	Hants, Andover.
*BEAUFOY, MARK	G. L.	Kennington.
Begg, Faithfull	C.	Kennington.
*BENTINCK, LORD H.	C.	Norfolk, North West.
*BIGWOOD, J.	C.	Middlesex, Brentford.
*BIRKBECK, SIR E.	C.	Norfolk, East.
*BIRRELL, AUGUSTINE	G. L.	Fife, West.
*BOLITHO, T. B.	L. U.	Cornwall, St. Ives.
BOORD, T. W.	C.	Greenwich.
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§Bousfield, W. R., Q.C.	C.	Hackney, North.
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§Chesney, Gen. Sir G.	C.	Oxford.
*CLARK, DR. GAVIN	G. L.	Caithness.
§Clarke, Sir Andrew	G. L.	Chatham.
§Clare, O. Leigh	C.	Lancashire, Eccles.
Clayden, Arthur	G. L.	Camberwell, Dulwich.
§Clayton, N. G.	C.	Northumberland, Hexham.
§Clough, W. O.	G. L.	Portsmouth.
Cohen, B. L.	C.	Islington, East.
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*COLLINGS, JESSE	L. U.	Birmingham, Bardsley.
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§Colston, E.	C.	Gloucester, Thornbury.
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Capitals denote those Members of the present or of previous Parliaments who have voted in support of Women's Suffrage.

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- § Arnold, Alfred C. *Halifax.*
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- § Askew, W. Robertson C. *Northumberland, Berwick-on-Tweed.*
- § Bagot, Capt C. *Westmoreland, South.*

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Baptie, J. Proctor	G. L.	<i>Bath.</i>
Barnes, F. E.	G. L.	<i>Surrey, Reigate.</i>
Bayley, Thomas	Labour	<i>Finsbury, Holborn.</i>
Bateman, J.	G. L.	<i>Derby, Chesterfield.</i>
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Beale, E. J.	G. L.	<i>St. Pancras, South.</i>
*BEAUFOY, MARK	G. L.	<i>Kennington.</i>
Begg, Faithfull	C.	<i>Kennington.</i>
Bell, W. A.	L. U.	<i>Leith.</i>
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*ROWLANDS, BOWEN	G. L.	Cardiganshire.
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*RUSSELL, T. W.	L. U.	Tyrone, North.
§Samuel, H. S.	C.	Tower Hamlets, Lime-house.
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Saunders, W.	G. L.	Newington, Walworth.
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SPEECH

BY

PROF. R. C. JEBB, M.P.,

At the Annual Meeting of the Central Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage, May 31st, 1892.

IN supporting this resolution, I am glad to have an opportunity of indicating the reasons which led me to vote for Sir Albert Rollit's Bill on April 27th. The debate was an able one on both sides. Will you allow me to estimate, as concisely as possible, the position in which, as I conceive, it has left this great question?

The characteristic of Sir A. Rollit's Bill is that it affirms a general principle, but applies this principle only within certain limits, recommended by experience and convenience. The principle is that a woman should not be disqualified, merely because she is a woman, from exercising the rights of citizenship. The limits are those of the Municipal franchise, as already possessed by women.

The arguments used against the Bill were chiefly of two classes—those which impugned the general principle, and those which impugned the special form proposed for its application.

Among the arguments against the principle, the first was that which is derived from the physical constitution of women. This argument was urged in two forms. First: that the ultimate sanction of the law is physical force. But we reply that in civilised communities the exercise of this ultimate sanction is assigned to a certain portion of the community, specially organised and trained for that purpose, viz., the police, and, in the last resort, the military. Secondly: it was said that among the active duties of citizenship is that of fighting, at need, in defence of one's country. But there are great numbers of men who would be completely useless for that purpose; and yet no one proposes to disfranchise them.

The next argument was founded on the intellectual and moral characteristics of women. No one went so far as to say that women are intellectually incapable of exercising the franchise aright. But it was said that most women lack the requisite knowledge. Might not the same thing have been

said of the average rural labourer? Then, more generally, it was said that the nature of women is such that it would be deteriorated by bringing them into the turmoil of public life. But already large numbers of women take part in canvassing for Parliamentary candidates, in the business of committees, and in other electioneering work. Candidates of all opinions have been only too glad to avail themselves of such services. If women can do all this without degradation, they can also support the ordeal of being canvassed, and of recording a vote. It cannot be reasonably maintained that the temperament of women, however much it may normally differ from that of men, affords any ground for excluding them from the franchise. Gloomy prophecies were uttered as to the probable effects on domestic life; but no serious attempt was made to show exactly how such effects would be produced by the possession of a vote. Prophecies of a similar kind were equally rife at the time when women first obtained control over their own property; but they have not been realised.

I turn now from the arguments against the principle to the arguments against the limited form proposed for its application. It was urged, first, that there is no proper analogy between the Municipal and the Parliamentary franchise. It is true that the Municipal franchise rests on a distinct ground, the payment of rates. But the difference between the function of the Municipal voter and that of the Parliamentary voter is a difference merely of degree, not of kind; it depends on the fact that the questions submitted to the Parliamentary voter are more various and more important. If the possessor of the Municipal vote is capable of using the Parliamentary vote aright, the fact that the Municipal franchise rests on the payment of rates is not, in itself, a reason against conferring the higher franchise. It was further objected that, on the Municipal basis, the Parliamentary franchise would still be withheld from a large class of self-dependent women who are not householders but merely lodgers. In reply it may be pointed out that the women householders whom it is proposed to enfranchise would be very largely in sympathy with the needs of their unenfranchised sisters, and would be able to make those needs understood. The reason for taking the Municipal basis is that it represents a limit within which Parliament has already given a vote to women, and within which a trained electorate of women exists. This area also coincides roughly with that category of women whose claim to the franchise is most obviously just, viz., self-dependent women householders, who bear the burdens of citizenship, while they are excluded from representative rights.

The argument which told most against the Bill was undoubtedly the argument from "the inclined plane." It was

said that this Bill would initiate a process which must ultimately lead to womanhood suffrage—when the women voters would outnumber the men—and to women sitting in Parliament. I fully admit that legislators are bound to consider such ulterior consequences of their present action as can be shown to be either necessary or strongly probable. But in this case we must distinguish between two kinds of possible consequences, which opponents of the Bill confused. First, with regard to possible future extension of women's franchise beyond the Municipal basis. Here it is enough to reply that the Municipal basis is a well-defined limit which we are now justified in adopting, and which could be defended at any future time by the same reasons which justify it now. It is impossible to foresee all the circumstances under which a further extension of the male franchise may hereafter be urged, or the modifications in the area of the franchise of women which might then be suggested: but it is precisely one advantage of the Municipal basis of the concession, as now proposed, that it does not by any logical necessity commit us to ulterior developments: we leave the circumstances of the future to the discretion of those who will have to deal with them. A fallacy sometimes lurks in a metaphor, and the inclined plane is here a metaphor of that sort. The process really represented by the proposed measure is not that of setting a ball rolling down a slope; it is rather that of taking in part of a wide field, by setting up a barrier which those who come after us will be perfectly able to maintain if they choose. Now, as to the other kind of consequence foreshadowed by opponents of the Bill—that women will claim seats in Parliament, will hold office, and sit in the Cabinet: the answer is that there is a fundamental difference between having a voice in the election of persons who are to exercise certain functions, and being admitted to the exercise of those functions. Clergymen can vote for members of Parliament, but cannot sit in the House of Commons. It is wholly unwarrantable to say that women's enfranchisement would logically lead to their being made eligible for seats in Parliament. The reasons against women sitting in Parliament are absolutely independent of the arguments for or against giving them the franchise.

Lastly, certain arguments were employed which had a wider scope, since they might equally be used against extending the franchise to a new category of men. It was alleged that women have no longer any grievances which make it desirable that any of them should obtain the franchise. On this point three things may be said. First, experience shows that the extension of the franchise is apt to be followed by the revelation of needs and desires deeply felt by those to whom it is extended, but not disclosed or fully appreciated before.

Thus the enfranchisement of the £10 occupier in 1832 led to the opening of the Municipal Corporations; the enfranchisement of the urban householder in 1867 led to National Education; the enfranchisement of the rural labourer in 1885 has led to allotments and small holdings. Secondly, even now women are known to have some causes of complaint which are not likely to be removed until some women have votes. It is enough to mention the Divorce Laws, the law relating to the custody of children, and—to take an instance affecting many thousands of poor working women—the need for women inspectors in the textile factories. Thirdly, in all those social questions which concern women there is a great difference between direct and indirect Parliamentary representation. Only when women have some direct voice in Parliamentary elections can we be sure that we shall have these questions put before us from those points of view from which women themselves regard them. Then there is the often repeated assertion that women themselves do not desire the franchise. Before 1885, did any unanimous prayer for enfranchisement go up from agricultural labourers? Nay, did they evince anything like such an active desire for it as has been evinced by great numbers of women all over the country? What have women left undone, to show this desire, that it was possible for them to do? They have organised committees, they have held meetings, they have spoken and written. It is not a relevant answer that many other women are apathetic or adverse.

If I might conclude with a word of counsel, though I feel diffidence in offering anything of the kind to such a meeting as this, it would be that the friends of this movement should subordinate all minor differences, and concentrate their efforts on an endeavour to pass into law a measure on the lines laid down in the Bill which lately came so near to success.

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Address of Thanks

WE, the undersigned women of Great Britain and Ireland, desire to express the deep gratitude we feel to Sir Albert Kaye Rollit, and the Members of Parliament who spoke, voted or paired in favour of the Bill for the Extension of the Parliamentary Franchise to Women on April 27th, 1892.

The steady support shewn by these friends of the movement is a further encouragement to us to persevere in the effort to obtain for women that right of direct representation essential to truly constitutional Government, and we tender our sincere and earnest thanks to those who have carried our cause onward by their recent action.

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NOTES OF THE SESSION.

THE Central Committee believe the present is a fitting time at which to send their members and friends some account of the present prospects of the movement. They accordingly offer the following brief summary of the actual facts of the position.

IMMEDIATELY after the General Election steps were taken to secure the services of a leader, who should be a centre to the movement in the House of Commons, and the assent of Viscount Wolmer (M.P. for Edinburgh West), to take charge of their interests in the House of Commons, was a source of great satisfaction to all connected with the work of the Central Committee.

When the opening of the Session approached, communications were entered into with numerous M.P.'s with a view to their taking part in the ballot for a day.

Mr. Walter McLaren called a meeting of friendly M.P.'s at the House of Commons, which was attended by Mr. Bousfield, Sir George Chesney, Mr. C. W. Cayzer, Prof. Jebb, Mr. Charles McLaren, Viscount Wolmer, &c. Several promises of balloting were then given.

THE result was that a considerable number of Members, including Mr. Bolitho, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Courtney, Col. Cotton-Jodrell, and Sir Richard Temple tried their fortune. The best number was drawn by Mr.

Charles McLaren, who came out twenty-fifth. As there are not more than twelve good days for private Members' Bills, no one who draws a late number can secure a first place.

Mr. McLaren set the Bill down second on the order of the day for Wednesday, March 8. But inasmuch as the Bill which preceded it—the Rating of Machinery Bill—was one involving large interests to the manufacturing towns, it was felt from the first that the chances for Mr. McLaren's Bill were very slight.

MEANTIME, it was hoped that the Registration Bill which the Government were pledged to bring forward, might afford an opportunity for an amendment on Women Suffrage. In his speech introducing that Bill Mr. H. H. Fowler said that "he hoped the time would soon come when there would be only one register for Parliamentary, Municipal, and School Board elections." The Bill, however, contained no clause for the actual carrying out of his hope. An amendment was accordingly given notice of by Mr. Maclure as follows:—

On the Second Reading of Registration of Electors Amendment Bill, to move, "That no Bill will be satisfactory to this House which does not provide for the registration of women ratepayers to vote at Parliamentary elections as in elections for municipal authorities and guardians of the poor and other local authorities."

We are, however, informed by our Parliamentary friends that this amendment will probably be ruled out

of order, as the Bill contains no clauses of an enfranchising character.

IN this connection it is to be remembered that on the occasion of the Annual Conference of the National Union of Conservative Associations, held at Sheffield in December, a cordial reception was given to the remarks made by Sir Albert Rollit in favour of the inclusion of women on the Parliamentary register, when advocating the adoption of the municipal register for Parliamentary and other purposes.

ON March 8th the debate and division on the Rating of Machinery Bill concluded at 5.25. It is against the rules of the House that any contentious Bill be taken after 5.30 on a Wednesday. When Sir Henry James rose to move that the Women's Suffrage Bill be adjourned—it was clearly the inevitable course. The Bill was, in fact, crowded out; in technical phrase "it stands adjourned," *i.e.*, will remain on the order book till discharged by the member who introduced it, but without any prospect of coming forward.

THERE yet remains another possibility should the Government proceed this Session with their promised "Plural Voting Bill," popularly known as the "One Man One Vote Bill." This measure is the next step in the direction of electoral change for which any body of men are striving. Strenuous steps should be taken

to rouse public feeling in favour of the enfranchisement of duly qualified women, so that the accompaniment to "one man one vote" may not be *one woman no vote*.

As soon as arrangements can be made the Central Committee propose to invite a conference of workers to consider steps for raising up a united and strong appeal from the women of the country.

BARE as the promise of the Session has been within the House of Commons, signs of life outside have not been lacking. One such sign is the ready response to a fund started by the generous offer of a friend to give £100 if £200 more were raised within a month. That sum has been very nearly reached within the time stipulated, and the original donor has waived the exact fulfilment of the condition.

ANOTHER sign of the progress of public feeling is the fact that the Local Option Bill, introduced by Sir William Harcourt, who is no friend of women's suffrage, would confer the right of voting on the subject of the continuance or the closing of public houses on female as well as on male ratepayers.

A FURTHER sign of life is the satisfactory response to the request circulated amongst County Councillors in many parts of the country to sign a petition in favour of women's suffrage, particulars of which are given below.

PARLIAMENTARY INTELLIGENCE.

March 8th.

PARLIAMENTARY FRANCHISE (WOMEN) BILL.

Upon the motion for Second Reading of this Bill, Sir Henry James said that in view of the fact that this was a new Parliament, also looking to the hour (5.25), he moved that the debate be now adjourned.

This was agreed to and the debate stood adjourned.

TEXT OF THE BILL.

The Bill as introduced by Mr. Charles McLaren was as follows:

[56 VICT.] *Parliamentary Franchise (Women).*

A BILL TO

Extend the Parliamentary Franchise to Women.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Representation of the People (Extension to Women) Act, 1893.

2. In all Acts relating to the qualification and registration of voters or persons entitled or claiming to be registered and to vote in the election of members of Parliament, wherever words occur which import the masculine gender, the same shall include women for all purposes connected with and having reference to the right to be registered as voters and to vote in such election.

It will be seen that the above Bill is wider in its compass than that introduced by Sir Albert Rollit last year, in that it would embrace both the lodger and the service franchise. While the aim of Sir Albert

Rollit's Bill was to enfranchise a more limited but distinctly defined number of women—women whom all who approve of women's suffrage, whether from a more restricted or a more general point of view, are agreed ought to be enfranchised. His Bill thus presented fewer points of resistance than any previous Bill.

It may be well to give the text of that Bill also—

[55 VICT.] *Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women).*

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Extend the Parliamentary Franchise to Women.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows.

1. This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Franchise (Womer.) Act, 1892.

2. Every woman who—

- (1) In Great Britain is registered or entitled to be registered as an elector for any town council or county council; or
- (2) In Ireland is a ratepayer entitled to vote at an election for guardians of the poor;

shall be entitled to be registered as a parliamentary elector, and when registered to vote at any parliamentary election for the county, borough, or division wherein the qualifying property is situate.

The following letter was sent to the Parliamentary supporters of Women's Suffrage, in anticipation of a possible debate on March 8th:—

SIR,

We would venture to remind you that the Bill for the Extension of the Parliamentary Franchise to Women, introduced by Mr. Charles McLaren, and backed by Mr. Courtney, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Vicount Wolmer, Mr. Webb, Mr. Carvell Williams, Sir

Algernon Borthwick, Mr. James Stuart, Sir Albert Rollit and Mr Jebb, stands for Second Reading on Wednesday, March 8th, when it stands second on the Orders of the day.

We earnestly beg you to make it convenient to be present to record your vote in favour of the Bill, in case it should be reached.

Signed on behalf of—

The Central Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage.

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PETITIONS.

A Petition was presented in the House of Commons by Viscount Wolmer, M.P., on March 10th, exclusively signed by Members of County Councils. The signatures, which numbered 634, came from many different parts of the country. From some counties the proportion was very large, especially from Northumberland, whence Mrs. Taylor, of Chipchase Castle, forwarded 67 out of a total of 80 County Councillors. From Somerset and from Monmouth, whence Mrs. Luttrell and Mrs. Mitchell respectively forwarded about half the whole number for their counties. From Oxford also a large proportion were received from Mrs. Adair.

The Petition ran as follows:—

The Humble Petition of the undersigned Members of County Councils. Sheweth that the undersigned Members of County Councils, having had experience of the effects of Women's Suffrage in County Council Elections, consider that their enfranchisement has been of advantage to the community, and that the extension of the right to vote in Parliamentary Elections to the same women would similarly be attended with beneficial results.

Your Petitioners therefore pray that your Honourable House will pass a measure to extend the Parliamentary Franchise to such Women.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Signatures continue to come in, and it is expected that another Petition of a similar character will be presented after Easter.

A Petition has been presented from the Luton Town Council, to whom Miss Bigg, Hon. Sec. of the Luton Women's Franchise Association, had written, submitting a memorial on Women's Franchise. Alderman Blundell moved that the Clerk be instructed to prepare the Petition. He said the franchise exercised by women in the past had undoubtedly resulted in an intelligent vote, and women had regarded their vote in a manner much freer from the necessity of pressure than that which has been made sometimes in the case of men. When women were taxpayers it seemed to him a direct contradiction of things that they should be excluded from a voice in the choice of those who made the laws (hear, hear.) It had, he added, been recognised as a principle that taxation should be coincident with representation. Mr. Smith seconded. He thought they in Luton had full sense of the meaning of the proposal. They had a large number of lady ratepayers who had a municipal vote, and he thought it only right that they should have a share in the Parliamentary vote as well as pay Parliamentary taxes. Mr. Johnson, Mr. Randall, Mr. Stafford, and Alderman Oakley supported, and the motion was carried.

The Parliamentary Reports on Petitions also report Petitions in favour of Women's Suffrage, sent by the Women's Liberal Associations of Aberystwith, Bristol (West), Cardigan, Cheddar, Glasgow (Bridgton), Idle, Islington (East), Nantwich, Pembroke Dock, Penge, Salford (North), Sittingbourne, Wells, Wolverhampton, and others.

RECENT MEETINGS.

HAGGERSTON.

Under the auspices of the Haggerston Liberal Unionist Council, a meeting was held on February 14th, in the Shoreditch Town Hall, where, to quote the *Hackney Mercury*, one of the largest and most stirring gatherings ever held in the district assembled to hear a lecture on "Women's Suffrage," by Mrs

Fawcett. The chair was taken by Mr. John Lowles (Unionist candidate for Haggerston), who was supported by the Hon. Claude G. Hay (Unionist candidate for Hoxton), the Rev. M. Scott, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Lewis W. Potts, Mr. J. A. Clark, Mr. R. Muir, Mr. R. A. Reeve, Mr. H. Belstead, Mr. J. H. Bernard, Mr. G. Barrett, and others, a large number of ladies being also present, including Mrs. Lowles and Miss Beatrice Lowles. The Chairman said to his mind, the question of the extension of the Parliamentary franchise to women deserved to rank among the foremost questions of the day, and should no longer be left outside the range of immediate practical politics. (Hear, hear.) The air, as they knew, was charged with proposals for reform of a more or less practical character, many of them questions in which women were as deeply and as personally interested as men, some of them distinctly within the sphere of women's knowledge and work, and yet women, qualified in every constitutional particular equally with men, were shut out of the constitutional privileges extended to the very lowest class of the male sex, simply because they were women! ("Shame!") Yes, it was a shame. For nearly twenty-five years women ratepayers had exercised the franchise in School Board Elections, for a long period they had taken part in municipal contests, and since the creation of the County Councils they had voted for members of those bodies. He challenged anyone to point to anything but good arising from the participation of women in those contests.

In the course of her address, Mrs. Fawcett commented on the change that had taken place in the position and sphere of women. They were now gaining intellectual independence, economic independence, and political power, and the extension of the suffrage was only an adjustment of their political position to changes that had already taken place in their social status. The words "Whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder," should apply not only to marriage, but to the whole of social and political life; that men and women were intended to work together, and that those societies only were on the right road to progress which were gradually taking down the barriers which at one time in nearly every country held an entire sex in subjugation and repression. (Loud and prolonged cheering.)

The Hon. Claude G. Hay (Unionist candidate for Hoxton) moved the first resolution as follows:—

"That this public meeting of residents of Shoreditch desires to record its conviction that the extension of the Parliamentary franchise to women is of urgent national importance, and calls for the immediate attention of the Legislature."

The resolution was carried by an overwhelming majority, the Chairman being authorised to forward copies to the Prime Minister, the President of the Local Government Board, Lord Salisbury, and Mr. Balfour.

LUTON.

In connection with the Luton Women's Franchise Association, an eloquent address was given by Mr. J. A. Rentoul, M.P., in the Town Hall of Luton, on January 16th.

BELFAST.

A meeting organised by the West Belfast Unionist Association in the Agnes Street Orange Hall, on February 27th, passed a resolution in favour of women's suffrage.

The meeting, which was crowded to excess, was presided over by Sir James H. Haslett. Towards the close of the proceedings, the Chairman referred to the question of conferring upon women the privilege of voting for members of Parliament. The principle which was embodied in the resolution which would be

submitted for their consideration was that those who paid taxes, whether they were male or female, should have the right of representation. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Thos. E. Carlisle then moved—"That, in the opinion of this meeting, it is desirable that in any future alteration of the franchise that ladies paying or responsible for the payment of rates should be allowed to vote for members of the Imperial Parliament."

This was seconded by Mr. H. I. McBride and carried.

Since the new year, Mrs. Fawcett has addressed large Unionist meetings in Darlington, Glasgow and Liverpool, at each of which reference to women's suffrage was favourably received. Reports of many debates have been received, for which space does not admit further notice.

SPECIAL FUND OF £300.

Towards the end of February the Committee circulated an appeal to raise a SPECIAL FUND of £300 in order to enable them to organise active work when the "one man one vote" question comes on, to get the claim of women to representation recognised.

A friend offered £100 if the other £200 could be raised within the next fortnight.

The Committee gratefully acknowledge the following sums received or promised:—

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
The Dowager Countess Buchan	20	0	0	Mrs. Cotton-Jodrell	5	0	0
Miss J. Boucherett	20	0	0	The Hon. Mrs. Paley	5	0	0
Mrs. Fawcett	20	0	0	Mrs. Murray Smith	5	0	0
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THE Central Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage has one clear definite aim, *viz.*, to have the principle recognised by Statutory Law that sex shall no longer be a bar to the power of voting for Members of Parliament.

The period of twenty-six years which has elapsed since the Parliamentary history of the Women's Suffrage movement began may be said to fall into three divisions.

The first from 1867, when Mr. J. S. Mill introduced his amendment on the Reform Bill of that year, to the year 1872, when the Central Committee was formed.

The second from 1872 to the end of the Parliament of 1886.

The third from the General Election of August, 1886. Each period has a character of its own, indicative of advancing stages in the constitutional contest.

The first period may be described as one of *general reconnoitring*. During that period the House of

Commons had rejected Mr. J. S. Mill's motion (to leave out "man" and insert "person") by which women would have been included in the Reform Act of that year, by 196 to 83. After this the Revising Barristers in different parts of the Country expressed diverse views as to their power to include women on the registers and a test case was brought before the Court of Common Pleas, and an adverse ruling was given. After that decision of the Court, committees were formed in the chief towns of the United Kingdom. Mr. Jacob Bright in 1870 introduced his Bill to remove the Electoral Disabilities of women.

In 1872 the Central Committee was formed in London to act as a common centre for all the Societies. The organisation with which this sketch is concerned dates therefore from 1872 and introduces what may be designated as the period of *concentrated effort*.

Year by year Bills were introduced, backed by equal numbers of Liberal and Conservative members; year by year large meetings were held in London during the Parliamentary Session attended by representatives of the provincial Societies. Throughout the year, year after year, meetings, lectures, petitions were organised in all parts of the country, the *Women's Suffrage Journal*, edited by Miss Becker, was widely circulated, and much other literature disseminated.

As the Reform Bill which was to enfranchise the Agricultural Labourers approached, efforts were concentrated on Mass Meetings of women.

The first, planned by Miss Becker in the "Free Trade Hall," Manchester, was presently followed by others in London, Bristol, Birmingham, Edinburgh, etc. These demonstrations not only drew together a very large number of the women who had worked or spoken on the question, but created great interest and enthusiasm amongst the women of the great towns where they were held.*

In 1883 a resolution introduced by Mr. Hugh Mason was lost by the narrow majority of sixteen.

On the death of Mr Mason, Mr. Woodall took charge of the measure in the House of Commons, and moved an amendment on the Reform Bill of 1884, that words importing the masculine gender should include women, when Mr. Gladstone declared he would renounce all responsibility for the Bill were the amendment carried; it was lost by a majority of 136.

On the first occasion when the Bill came forward after the General Election which followed the Reform Act of 1884—*viz.*, in February, 1886, the second reading was passed without a division, a Dissolution of Parliament however took place before the further stages were reached.

* These were :—

Manchester	...	Free Trade Hall.
London	...	St. James' Hall.
Bristol	...	Colston Hall.
Nottingham	...	Albert Hall.
Birmingham	...	Town Hall.
Bradford	...	St. George's Hall.
Glasgow	...	St. Andrew's Hall.
Edinburgh	...	Synod Hall.

At the General Election which followed in July of 1886, a majority of the Candidates returned to Parliament had expressed themselves in favour of the principle of Women's Suffrage;* and now begins the third period of the agitation, which may be described as *one of diffused activity*.

Session after session of that Parliament every effort to obtain a hearing for the Women's Franchise Bill was met by disappointment from the crowded state of public business.

Without the definite central point of a Bill to work for, many workers turned their attention to side issues. The deep party cleavage which followed on the question of Home Rule for Ireland, contributed to this. The Primrose League, the Women's Liberal Federation, and the Women's Liberal Unionist Association, drawing the women of their respective parties into political party activity; while other questions of public interest,—such as the promotion of the return of women as Poor Law Guardians, and the share women should take in the work of the newly constituted County Councils—absorbed the energies of many.

Thus a tendency was set up to follow side issues which ultimately brought about some subdivision and re-organization in the Women's Suffrage Societies, many of the more recent workers

* The number of Members who during this Parliament expressed approval of Women's Suffrage was 355—being a majority of 40 in the whole House; viz., 176 Conservatives, 108 Liberals, 27 Liberal Unionists, 44 Irish Nationalists.

preferring to work on more general lines, most of the older workers abiding by the old policy of concentration.

However, in 1892, in the last year of the life of the Parliament elected in 1886, a debate at length took place, and both sets of forces united in support of the Bill which had fallen into the able hands of Sir Albert Rollit. The strength of the support brought out unwonted activity on the part of the opponents, the most remarkable indication being a letter from Mr. Gladstone in which he urged Members not to vote for the Bill. But the hostile majority was nevertheless no larger than 23.

The General Election of last July did not afford as clear evidence of the opinions of Candidates as that of 1886 had done, many being unwilling to declare themselves in favour of a measure of the effect of which on their own party,—whichever that might be—they could not form a clear opinion. But if many declined to commit themselves in favour, a very minute fraction went so far as to commit themselves against the principle of Women's Suffrage.

The introduction by the Government in the Session of 1893, of a measure to facilitate Registration but which at the same time would admit a large additional number of voters to the Register, holds out an opportunity to again bring forward an amendment for the enfranchisement of women on a Government Bill. This Bill therefore is at present the object of anxious attention on the part

of the Central Committee, who are doing their utmost to support the notice given by Viscount Wolmer to provide for the inclusion of women in the Committee stage of that Bill.

To sum up briefly it may be pointed out that the work of this Committee is in a very different position in 1893 from what it was in 1872. Then no other political Societies of any kind existed in which women took part; now each political party lays eager claim to the help of women in its organisation.

Then no Society advocated Women's Suffrage except those expressly formed for that object; now Women's Suffrage is introduced on the programme of many Societies, following both social and political aims.

Thus the tide of interest in the question has flowed beyond the limits of any special organisation and permeated the energies of others. Nevertheless the existence of a strong central body which maintains a strictly uniform, definite and non-party policy is not less, but rather in some respects more important now than when the Central Committee originated in 1872, and the Committee earnestly urge on all, whether working for side issues or not, to give their support to the present effort to combine women in a general appeal for women's enfranchisement.

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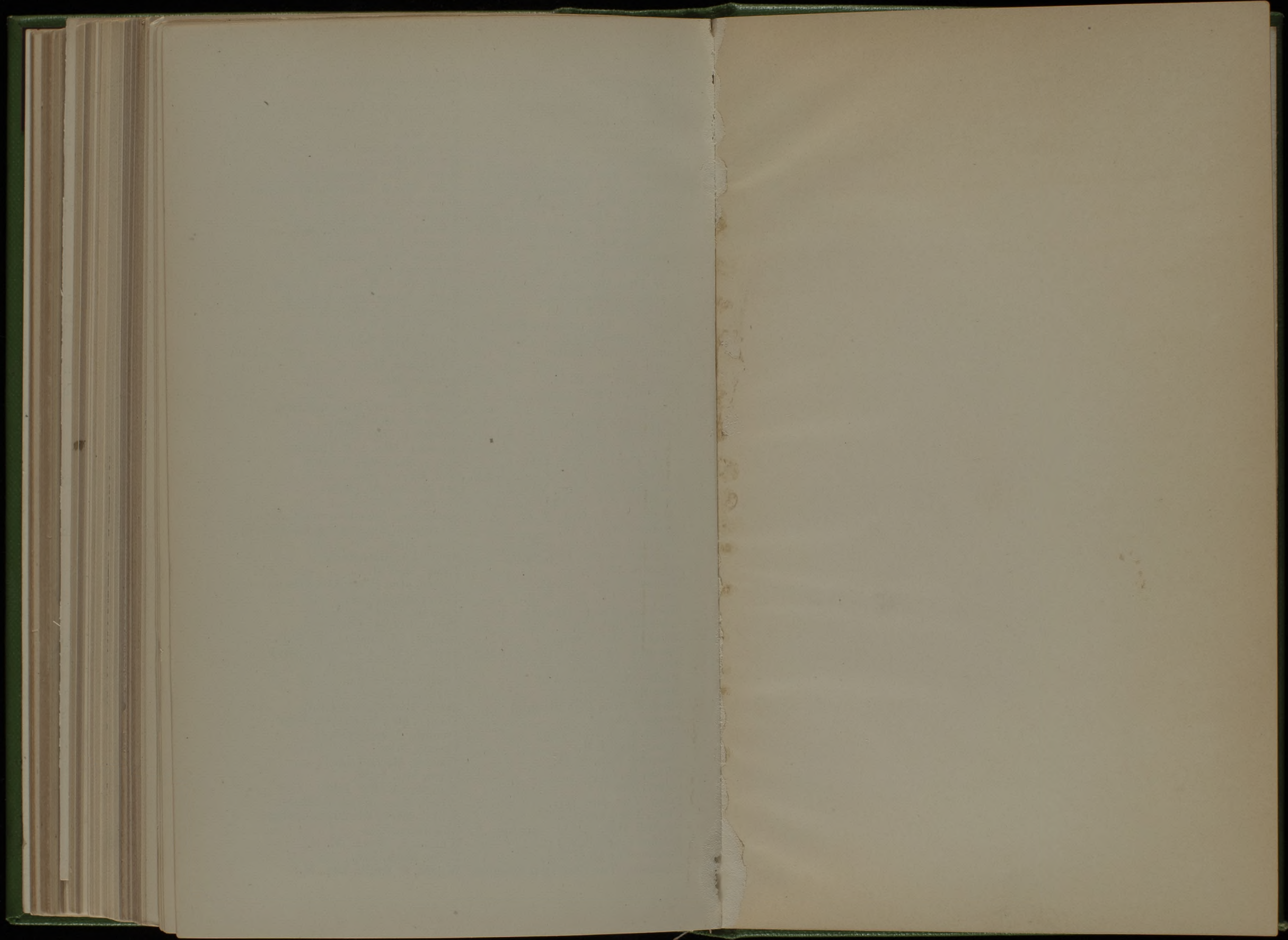
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Hon. Treasurer—THOS. CHORLTON, Esq.

Hon. Sec.—Miss ATKINSON.

Office—Queen's Chambers, 5, John Dalton Street, Manchester.

BRISTOL AND WEST OF ENGLAND BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR
WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.—Established 1868.

Hon. Treasurer—Mrs. ASHWORTH HALLETT.

Hon. Secs.—Mrs. ASHWORTH HALLETT and Miss EVA TRIBE.

Secretary—Miss BLACKBURN. *Office*—69, Park Street, Bristol.

NORTH OF IRELAND BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S
SUFFRAGE.—Established 1871.

Hon. Secretary—Miss ISABELLA TOD, Belfast.

DUBLIN SOCIETY, Established 1874.

Hon. Secs.—Mrs. HASLAM, 91, Rathmines Road, and Miss MACDOWELL.

LUTON COMMITTEE—Established 1879. *Hon. Sec.*—Miss LOUISA BIGG.

LEEDS NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.—Established 1889

President—Mrs. EDWARD WALKER. *Hon. Treas.*—Mrs. RAWLINSON FORD

Hon. Sec.—Miss BARBER, Mount Preston, Leeds.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE
NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

Presented to the Annual Meeting at Westminster Town Hall,

on July 11th, 1893.

THE record your Committee have this year to present, deals more with signs of growth without than within the House of Commons. The Parliamentary leaders of the movement have been on the watch to seize any occasion that might occur, for raising the question of Women's Suffrage, but, up to the present time, no opportunity has arisen for bringing the matter forward, in the present Parliament.

The attention given to other political questions of absorbing interest during the General Election, last July, deterred many supporters of Women's Suffrage from pressing the subject prominently forward. The result of the Election has, however, been to return very few members avowedly opposed to Women's Suffrage and very many who acquiesce in the general principle that women should not be debarred from direct representation.

Immediately after the Election, your Committee took steps to secure the services of a Member of Parliament, who should be a centre to the movement in the House of Commons.

They are glad to be able to state that such a leader has been found in Viscount Wolmer, who has been unremittingly watchful for the interests of the question during the session.

On the first day of the session, Mr. W. McLaren, M.P., summoned a meeting, in one of the committee rooms of the House of Commons, of Parliamentary friends of Women's

Suffrage, a considerable number of whom proceeded at once to ballot for a day for a Bill. The best number was drawn by Mr. Charles McLaren, M.P.; but this was not sufficiently good to secure a day when the Bill would be certain to come on. The best available place for the Bill was as second order on Wednesday, March 8th. The first order on that day was the Rating of Machinery Bill, which absorbed the whole of the afternoon.

The Registration of Electors Bill, introduced on behalf of the Government by the Rt. Hon. H. H. Fowler, was not at first expected to yield opportunity for any enfranchising amendment. But when it appeared that the effects of the Bill were not limited to the simplification of registration, but that its provisions would place a large number of new voters on the Parliamentary Register, the Speaker ruled that enfranchising amendments would be in order. Accordingly Viscount Wolmer gave notice to move, after second reading of Registration of Electors Amendment Bill—

“That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to provide for the registration of duly qualified women, to vote at Parliamentary elections.”

Viscount Wolmer also gave notice of a similar instruction on the Scotch Registration Bill, introduced by Sir George Trevelyan.

Although the English Registration Bill passed second reading on April 26th, it has not yet been brought into Committee, and at the present late period of the session, the prospects of its reaching that stage are very uncertain.

A Petition in favour of Women's Suffrage, signed by 643 members of County Councils, was presented by Lord Wolmer in March, and subsequently a second petition with 263 signatures was forwarded to him.

Your Committee desire to cordially thank the Mayor of Northampton, for his kindness in granting the use of the Town Hall for a meeting in support of Women's Suffrage on December 12th, and for presiding on the occasion. They

would also thank Mrs. Butterfield, and the ladies who joined with her in making the meeting the success it proved. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Manfield, M.P., Mr. J. Barry, Mrs. Pender, Mrs. Fawcett, and Mrs. Ashford.

The Luton Women's Franchise Committee have worked with much energy during the past year. A public meeting was held in the Town Hall on November 24th, Mr. Michael Cook in the chair. Mrs. Ashford and Miss Mordan attended on behalf of your Committee. This meeting had been preceded by a Conference of local supporters, held at the house of the Hon. Sec., Miss Bigg, and was followed, on January 16th, by a lecture on Women and Politics, by Mr. J. A. Rentoul, M.P.

Your Committee desire to thank Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall for a meeting arranged by them at Keswick in October, which was addressed by your Hon. Sec., Mrs. Fawcett. Mrs. Fawcett also addressed a large gathering at 69, Park Street, Bristol, by invitation of the Bristol and West of England Society, during the meeting of the Central Council of Women Workers in that city in November. She also spoke at the Annual Meeting of the Manchester Society in November. On February 14th, a meeting in support of Women's Suffrage, arranged by the Haggerston Liberal Unionist Association, was addressed by Mrs. Fawcett, Mr. Lowles presiding, and a resolution affirming the importance of extending the franchise to women, was unanimously adopted.

Miss Mordan has addressed Debating Societies at White-chapel and Kilburn; Miss Davies at Bramham Gardens; Miss Stacpoole has addressed a meeting of the Westminster Debating Society. The thanks of your Committee are due to Mrs. Crisp for a drawing-room meeting, kindly arranged by her, at her house in Coningham Road, Shepherd's Bush. The demand for literature during the past year, for purposes of debate, has been quite beyond precedent, and shows that thought on the subject continues to extend.

Your Committee forwarded a paper, by request, to the American Branch of the International Council of Women, at the World's Fair, Chicago, on the work of the Central Committee; they have since published this, with slight modifications, as a pamphlet. They also sent a diagram representing the progress of women in the last 50 years, to the Handicrafts' Section of the Women's Work Committee, (in connection with the Royal Commission for Chicago). This was executed in colours in a decorative style by Miss A. M. Reid.

Your Committee deeply regret to record the death of the Dowager Countess of Buchan, which occurred suddenly at the end of April. Notwithstanding her advanced age, Lady Buchan had continued to the last, her warm interest in all that pertains to the advancement of women, and the progress of the Suffrage movement, with which she had been associated from the first.

In view of the pending legislation dealing with the Electoral Law, your Committee in February last raised a fund of £300 to enable them to organise active work. When it became apparent that no legislation was likely to be undertaken in the present session, they convened a Conference of members of the general and associated Committees of this Society, with a view to organising a general appeal to Members of the House of Commons from women of all parties and all classes. The Conference met on June 1st, at the Committee Room, the Westminster Town Hall, Miss Florence Davenport Hill presiding. The attendance included:—Mrs. H. Adair (Oxford), Mrs. Roberts - Austen, Miss Jessie Boucherett, Miss Babb, Mrs. Stewart Browne (Liverpool), Miss Bigg (Luton), Miss Blackburn, Mrs. N. G. Clayton (Hexham), Miss Emily Davies, Miss Catherine Drew, Hon. Lady Grey Egerton, Miss Eccles, Mrs. Lauder Eaton (Falmouth), Mrs. Penrose Fitzgerald, Mrs. Fawcett, Miss I. O. Ford (Leeds), Mrs. C. H. Hodgson, Lady Knightley of Fawsley, Miss Lee (Manchester), Miss Mordan, Miss Ogle

Moore, Clara Lady Rayleigh, Miss A. M. Reid, Mrs. T. W. Russell (Dublin), Mrs. Singleton (Derbyshire), Mrs. Severne (Salop), Mrs. J. K. Spender (Bath), Mrs. and Miss Sterling, Miss Stone, Mrs. Thomas Taylor (Chipchase Castle), Miss Tod (Belfast), Miss Vernon, &c., &c.

The following resolution was unanimously carried:—

“That this Conference approves the plan of a general appeal from women in favour of Women's Suffrage and the members here present undertake to promote the dissemination of the Appeal throughout the kingdom.”

In order to secure as wide a circle of co-operation as possible in working this Appeal, your Committee invited ladies connected with the chief organisations amongst women to join a Special Appeal Committee and thus act as links with the associations to which they respectively belong. This Special Appeal Committee has accordingly been formed as follows, Mrs. Fawcett, President; Mrs. Frank Morrison, Treasurer:—

The Lady Frances Balfour	Miss Mordan
Miss Balfour	Mrs. Wynford Philipps
Miss Blackburn	Mrs. Broadley Reid
Mrs. Leonard Courtney	The Lady Henry Somerset
Mrs. Fawcett	Mrs. Taylor of (Chipchase Castle).
The Lady Knightley	Miss Vernon
Mrs. Eva McLaren	
Mrs. Massingberd	

Offices for the work of the Appeal have been secured at 47, Victoria Street, Westminster, and Miss Julia Cameron appointed Secretary.

Your Committee earnestly invite all their members and friends to give such help as they may be able, whether by money or work, to make this a strong and united effort from women throughout the kingdom, in furtherance of their just and constitutional claim.

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.
CENTRAL COMMITTEE, 10, GREAT COLLEGE STREET, WESTMINSTER.

Receipts and Payments from June 1st, 1892, to June 30th, 1893.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance, 1st June, 1892	119 14 4	Rent	42 16 0
Donations	119 13 0	Office Expenses	10 7 11
Do. Special Fund	289 15 0	Salaries	176 9 6
Subscriptions	409 8 0	Meetings and Advertisements	47 14 1
Sale of Publications, etc.	179 4 0	Stationery	26 11 8
Interest on Deposit Account	11 8 2	Printing and Publications	120 8 5
	0 17 2	Postage and Telegrams	58 1 11
		Secretary's Travelling Expenses	16 1 3
		Newspapers & Parliamentary Papers	9 8 2
		Chicago Exhibits	4 11 6
			512 10 5
		Deposit at Bankers	200 0 0
		Balance "	6 18 1
		Cash in hand	1 3 2
			208 1 3
			£720 11 8

Examined, compared with the books and vouchers, and found correct,
M. HARRIS SMITH, Auditor.

(Public Accountant)
13, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W., and
Royal Bank Building, 123, Bishopsgate Street Within, London, E.C.

July 11th, 1893.

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

*General Annual Meeting of the Central Committee, Westminster
Town Hall, July 11th, 1893.*

VISCOUNT WOLMER, M.P., in the Chair.

RESOLUTION I.

"That this Meeting adopt the Report and Financial Statement and direct that they be printed and circulated."

Moved by VISCOUNT WOLMER, M.P.
Seconded by MRS. FAWCETT.

RESOLUTION II.

"That the Executive Committee for the ensuing year consist of the following persons, with power to add to their number, and of delegates of Associated Societies:—

"Professor Adamson, Miss Gertrude Andrews, Mrs. Ashford, The Lady Frances Balfour, Miss Helen Blackburn, Miss Jessie Boucherett, Miss Frances Power Cobbe, Colonel Cotton-Jodrell, M.P., Miss Courtney, The Right Hon. Leonard Courtney, M.P., Miss Emily Davies, Miss F. Davenport-Hill, Captain Edwards-Heathcote, Mrs. Henry Fawcett, Louisa Lady Goldsmid, Mrs. Hallett, Mrs. Haslam, Mrs. J. E. Mylne, Miss Mordan, Clara Lady Rayleigh, T. W. Russell, Esq., M.P., Mrs. Stephen Spring-Rice, Mrs. Sterling, Miss M. C. Sturge, Miss Tod, and Miss Vernon."

Moved by SIR WILFRID LAWSON, BART., M.P.
Seconded by REV. C. J. RIDGWAY.

RESOLUTION III.

"That this Meeting, while deeply regretting that the exigencies of public business have so far this session prevented any action in Parliament, urge on all friends of Women's Suffrage to strengthen the hands of their Parliamentary leaders by united effort to make the Appeal in favour of Women's Suffrage a truly national expression of opinion from women throughout the United Kingdom."

Moved by LADY KNIGHTLEY.
Seconded by MISS MORDAN.

RESOLUTION IV.

"That the best thanks of this Meeting be given to Viscount Wolmer for presiding on the present occasion."

Moved by MISS EMILY DAVIES.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

	DONATIONS			SUBSCRIPTIONS		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Adams, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	10	0
E. G. A.	100	0	0	-	-	-
Addison, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Allen, Miss Gray	9	12	0	1	0	0
Anderson, Miss	-	-	-	0	2	6
Anthony, Miss	-	-	-	0	4	0
Ashford, Mrs.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Atkin, Edward, Esq.,	-	-	-	0	5	0
Atkinson, Mrs. Beavington	-	-	-	0	5	0
Austen, Mrs. Roberts	-	-	-	2	0	0
Aylmer, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Babb, Miss	-	-	-	2	2	0
Babb, J. Staines, Esq.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Bailey, Miss	-	-	-	0	10	0
Balfour, The Lady Frances	-	-	-	2	2	0
Barnard, Stanley, Esq. (two years)	-	-	-	0	10	0
Barrett, Mrs. F.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Baxter, Mrs. Fleming	-	-	-	1	0	0
Baxter, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	0
Beale, Miss E. A.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Beechcroft, Miss	-	-	-	0	2	6
Bennett, Mrs. Ernest	-	-	-	0	5	0
Biggs, Miss Maude	-	-	-	2	2	0
Biggs, Miss Ashurst	-	-	-	1	1	0
Bird, Miss Lucy	-	-	-	0	10	0
Blacker, Miss	-	-	-	0	2	6
Blackmore, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	0
Boddy, Dr. Clarinda	-	-	-	0	5	0
Bonham Carter, Miss Alice	5	0	0	-	-	-
Borchardt, Miss	-	-	-	0	3	6
Bostock, Miss	-	-	-	1	0	0
Boucherett, Miss Jessie	20	0	0	-	-	-
Bridges, Mrs.	-	-	-	2	0	0
Brodie Hall, Miss	2	2	0	-	-	-
Brooke, Mrs. C. J.	2	2	0	-	-	-
Buchan, The Dowager Countess (the late)	2	0	0	-	-	-
Buckland, Miss A. W.	-	-	-	0	2	-
Burne, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	-
Burt, Miss N. S.	-	-	-	0	2	0
Bush, The Misses	-	-	-	2	2	0
Butterfield, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	10	6
Byers, Mrs	-	-	-	0	10	6

	DONATIONS			SUBSCRIPTIONS		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Charlesworth, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	5	0
Chickall, Miss	-	-	-	0	2	6
Clarke, Mrs. Benjamin	-	-	-	1	0	0
Clarke, Miss Stanley	-	-	-	0	2	6
Clutton, R. G., Esq.	5	0	0	-	-	-
Colborne, Hon. Mrs.	-	-	-	0	10	0
Cotton, Mrs.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Courtenay, Miss	10	0	0	-	-	-
Courtney, Rt. Hon. Leonard, M.P.	-	-	-	1	0	0
Cowell, Mrs. H.	-	-	-	1	0	0
Coxhead, Miss	-	-	-	0	10	0
Crawford, Miss Sibella	-	-	-	0	5	0
Creewel, Miss	-	-	-	0	2	6
Crook, Mrs.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Cross, The Misses	0	5	0	-	-	-
Crowe, Miss	-	-	-	1	0	0
Culme Seymour, Mrs.	2	2	0	2	2	0
Darwin, Mrs. Francis	-	-	-	1	0	0
Davenport Hill, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Davenport Hill, Miss F. }	5	0	0	1	1	0
Davies, Miss Emily	-	-	-	1	1	0
Debenham, Mrs. Wm.	-	-	-	0	10	0
Dimsdale, Baron	10	10	0	3	3	0
Donkin, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	0
Dublin Committee	-	-	-	1	0	0
Duer, The Misses	-	-	-	0	10	0
Dunn, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Eaton, Mrs. Lauder	-	-	-	0	5	0
Eccles, Miss	-	-	-	5	0	0
Edmunds, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Ely, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	0
Eve, Mrs.	1	0	0	0	10	0
Fawcett, Mrs. Henry	20	0	0	5	0	0
Fawcett, Miss	-	-	-	1	0	0
Fenwick, Mrs. Bedford	-	-	-	1	1	0
Ford, Miss I. O.	-	-	-	5	0	0
Ford, Miss E. H.	-	-	-	3	0	0
Ford, Rawlinson, Esq.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Ford, Rawlinson, Mrs.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Friend (per Mrs. Sterling)	25	0	0	-	-	-
Garrett, Miss Agnes	-	-	-	2	0	0
Gilliatt, Mrs.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Goff, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	0
Goldsmid, Louisa, Lady	10	0	0	2	2	0
Gordon, Miss	-	-	-	0	10	0
Gore Booth, Misses	-	-	-	0	2	0
Gould, Miss A. B.	5	0	0	-	-	-
Graves, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Green, Miss H. E.	-	-	-	1	0	0
Grey, Mrs. Wm.	2	0	0	2	2	0
Griffith, The Dowager Lady Waldie	-	-	-	2	0	0
Griffiths, Miss E.	-	-	-	0	2	0

	DONATIONS	SUBSCRIPTIONS
Grove, Miss	-	0 10 0
Gurney, Miss M.	-	1 0 0
Gurney, Miss A.	-	1 0 0
Gwynne, Miss	-	0 10 0
Hallett, T. G. P., Esq., and Mrs.	10 0 0	-
Hamilton, Miss	-	0 5 0
Hamley, Miss	-	0 2 6
Harberton, Viscountess	-	1 0 0
Hardie, Miss Mabel	-	0 5 0
Hart, Miss M. H.	-	0 5 0
Haweis, Mrs.	1 0 0	-
Haycraft, Mrs. (Brighton)	-	1 0 0
Heath, Mrs. Bayly	-	1 1 0
Higgins, Mrs. Napier (two years)	1 0 0	4 0 0
Higginson, Mrs.	-	1 0 0
Hill, Frederick, Esq.	2 0 0	1 1 0
Hill, Miss Emily	-	0 2 6
Hill, Miss Georgiana	-	0 2 6
Hodgson, Mrs. C. H.	3 3 0	3 3 0
Holland, Miss Mabel	10 0 0	2 0 0
Hope, Mrs. Curling	-	0 2 6
Howse, Mrs.	-	0 5 0
Hubbard, Mrs.	-	0 5 0
Hunter, Miss R.	-	0 1 0
Jeffock, Mrs.	-	0 5 0
Jeffrey, Miss	-	0 10 0
Jex-Blake, Dr. Sophia	-	1 0 0
Johnson, Miss Lucy	11 0 0	1 1 0
Johnson, Miss Agnes	-	1 0 0
Jones, Miss Constance	-	1 1 0
Jones, Miss H. M.	-	0 5 0
Judd, Mrs.	-	0 2 6
"Jumbo"	0 5 0	-
Kerr, Miss Malcolm	0 5 0	-
Kensington, Miss	-	0 5 0
Lacey, Mrs. Bolton	-	0 10 0
L. A. J.	8 0 0	-
Lafone, Alfred, Esq.	-	2 2 0
Lewin, Miss	-	0 4 0
Le Fanu, Mrs.	-	0 1 0
Light, Miss	-	1 1 0
Little, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. (Shanghai)	2 2 0	-
Lister, Miss Emma	-	0 5 0
<i>Luton Committee, per</i>		
Alford, Mrs.	-	0 5 0
Baily, Mrs.	-	0 1 6
Bigg, Miss	-	2 2 0
Bigg, Miss, <i>per</i>	-	0 5 0
Boutwood, Mrs.	-	0 2 6
Carvell, Mrs.	-	0 1 0
Cook, Mrs. R. E.	-	0 2 0
Fairhurst, Mrs.	-	0 1 0
Hall, Mrs.	-	0 2 6

	DONATIONS £ s. d.	SUBSCRIPTIONS £. s. d.
<i>Luton Committee—continued</i>		
Pearman, Mrs.	-	0 1 0
Plummer, Mrs.	-	0 1 0
Smart, Mrs.	-	0 1 0
Webb, Mrs. F. B.	-	0 2 6
Webdale, John, Esq.	-	0 5 0
Webster, Mrs.	-	0 5 0
Wootton, Mrs.	-	0 2 6
Wright, Mrs. Henry	-	0 5 0
Luttrell, Mrs. A.	1 1 0	-
Lyttelton, the Hon. and Rev. Edward	-	1 1 0
Lyttelton, the Hon. Mrs. Edward	-	1 1 0
Mackintosh, Mrs.	-	0 2 6
Mac-Swinney, Mrs. R.	-	0 2 6
Maguire, Mrs.	-	0 2 6
Makovski, Stanislaus, Esq.	-	1 0 0
Makovski, Mrs.	-	1 0 0
Manning, Miss E. A.	-	1 1 0
Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. John	5 0 0	2 2 0
Marshall, Miss A.	0 5 0	-
Marshall, Miss C.	0 5 0	-
Martineau, Miss L. E.	-	1 0 0
Massey, Miss	-	0 5 0
Matheson, Lady	20 0 0	-
Meinertzhagen, Miss	-	0 5 0
Mitchell, Mrs. (Llanfrechfa)	-	1 0 0
Mitchell, Mrs. (Kensington)	0 10 0	-
Moore, Miss Ogle	-	0 2 6
Mordan, Miss	5 0 0	5 0 0
Mordan, Augustus, Esq.	-	1 0 0
Mosley, Miss	-	0 2 6
Mylne, Mrs. J. E.	5 0 0	0 10 0
Muller, Mrs.	-	2 2 0
Newman, Professor	-	1 0 0
Notcutt, Miss	-	0 5 0
O'Connor, Miss	-	0 5 0
Paine, Mrs. Lewis	-	0 5 0
Paley, Hon. Mrs.	5 0 0	2 0 0
Paul, Miss Lillie	-	0 2 6
Peters, Mrs. Ada B. S.	1 1 0	-
Pierpont, Miss	-	0 2 6
Ponsonby, Hon. Mrs.	-	1 1 0
Pym, Mrs. Guy	1 1 0	1 1 0
Rayleigh, Clara, Lady	5 0 0	-
Reid, Mrs.	-	0 2 6
Richardson, Miss (2 years)	-	2 0 0
Rippingall, F. T. S., Esq.	1 0 0	-
Roberts, Sir Owen and Lady	-	2 2 0
Robarts, Miss	-	0 2 6
Robertson, Miss	1 0 0	1 0 0
Rolleston, Miss	-	0 1 0

	DONATIONS			SUBSCRIPTIONS		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Russell, Mrs. T. W.	-	-	-	0	10	0
Ruth, Miss	2	0	0	1	0	0
Sanderson, J., Esq.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Schaw-Protheroe, Miss	-	-	-	0	10	0
Scholefield, Mrs.	0	10	0	0	10	0
Scott, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	10	6
Shaen, Mrs.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Shaen, Miss	10	0	0	1	1	0
Shanks, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Shedden, Mrs. R.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Shedden, Mrs. E. C.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Shedlock, Miss M. L.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Sidgwick, Prof. and Mrs. Henry	10	0	0	0	1	0
Sieveking, Miss	-	-	-	0	2	6
Singleton, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Smith, Mrs. F. P.	-	-	-	0	5	0
Smith, Mrs. Murray	5	0	0	1	1	0
Smith, Mrs. St. Osythe Eustace	5	0	0	1	1	0
Spring Rice, Mrs. Stephen	-	-	-	1	1	0
Sterling, Mrs.	10	0	0	2	0	0
Sterling, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Stevenson, Miss E.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Stone, Miss	-	-	-	1	0	0
Strange, Miss L. G.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Streatfield, Mrs.	-	-	-	2	2	0
Tabor, Miss M. C.	-	-	-	0	5	0
Tacey, Miss	-	-	-	2	0	0
Tacey, Miss Annie	-	-	-	2	0	0
Tacey, Miss Alice	8	0	0	2	0	0
Taylor, Mrs. (Chipchase Castle)	1	0	0	0	10	0
Tatlock, Miss	-	-	-	1	0	0
Temple, Sir Richard, Bt., M.P.	-	-	-	1	0	0
Thomas, Mrs. Charles	-	-	-	1	0	0
Thompson, Mrs. Percy	1	1	0	0	5	0
Thorne, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Topham, Mrs. Alfred	-	-	-	0	5	0
Vansittart, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	5	0
Vickery, Dr. Alice	-	-	-	0	5	0
Vernon, Miss	-	-	-	0	10	0
Wainwright, Miss	-	-	-	0	5	0
Walker, Miss Abney	-	-	-	1	0	0
Walker, Miss J. H.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Walker, Mrs. Ingram	-	-	-	0	10	0
Wall, Miss Mack	-	-	-	0	10	0
Ward, Miss F. B.	-	-	-	0	2	6
Wedgwood, Miss Julia	2	0	0	0	10	0
Welsh, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Westlake, Mrs.	5	0	0	1	1	0
Wilkinson, Miss L. M.	-	-	-	1	1	0
Wilkinson, Miss F.	-	-	-	0	5	0
Willson, Miss	-	-	-	1	0	0
Wilson, Miss Jane	1	0	0	0	2	6
Wilson, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0
Wolmer, The Lady Maude	-	-	-	0	2	6

	DONATIONS			SUBSCRIPTIONS		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wardale, The Rev. J.	-	-	-	2	0	0
Wright, Mrs. Almroth	1	0	0	1	0	0
Zimmermann, Miss	-	-	-	1	1	0

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Adair, Mrs.	-	-	-	0	5	0
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