

to be applied in the admission of women to all professions and callings. The congress was brought to a close on Saturday evening with a dinner at the Exhibition. It is very gratifying to note the quiet, moderate, and clear-headed way in which the women delegates stated their views. They exhibited no tendency to invective, they indulged in no "anti-man" tirades, and thus they gained the sympathies of even those who were most prejudiced against the admission of women to public life.

The Annual Conference of the National Union of Women Workers will be held at the Central Hall, Oldham Street, Manchester, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, October 27th, 28th, 29th, and 30th, 1896.

President of the National Union of Women Workers for 1896.—Mrs. Creighton, The Palace, Peterborough.

Organising Secretary.—Miss Janes, 59, Berners Street, London, W.

Manchester Conference Committee.—President, The Lady Mayoress; Vice-President, Mrs. Maclure, The Deanery.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.—TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27th.

10.0.—*Devotional Meeting.* In the Rest-Room.

FORENOON - Mrs. Creighton presiding.

10.30 to 1.0.—*Address of Welcome:* The Lady Mayoress. *Presidential Address:* Mrs. Creighton. *The Duties of Citizenship,* (a) The Proper Understanding and Use of the Municipal and other Franchises for Women: Paper by Miss Morgan; Discussion opened by Mrs. S. Barnett. (b) The Proper Way of Conducting and Working upon Philanthropic Committees, both as regards the Practical Business and the Spirit in which such Work should be done: Paper by Miss E. F. E. Yeatman; Discussion opened by Mrs. Alfred Booth.

AFTERNOON - Lady Laura Ridding presiding.

2.30 to 4.30.—(a) *Provision for and Maintenance of Destitute Gentlewomen:* Paper by Miss Mackarness; Discussion opened by the Hon. Mrs. Maclagan. (b) *Openings for the Employment of Educated Women:* Paper by Miss Margaret Bateson; Discussion opened by Miss March Phillipps.

EVENING - The Hon. Mrs. A. T. Lyttelton presiding.

7.30 to 10.0.—*Fines and Deductions in Women's Wages:* (a) In Factories; Paper by Mrs. Amie Hicks; Discussion opened by Mrs. George Cadbury. (b) In Shops; Paper by Miss M. E. Gladstone; Discussion opened by Mrs. Sidney Webb.

SECOND DAY.—WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28th.

10.0.—*Devotional Meeting.* In the Rest-Room.

FORENOON - Mrs. Alfred Booth presiding.

10.30 to 1.0.—*Work among Men and Boys:* (a) Women's Work among Men and Boys; Paper by Mrs. Papillon; Discussion opened by Miss Blanche Pigott. (b) Clubs for Boys and Young Men; Paper by Miss Violet Brooke-Hunt; Discussion opened by—

AFTERNOON - Mrs. Creighton presiding

2.30 to 4.30.—(a) *Openings in the Colonies for Women:* Paper by the Hon. Mrs. Joyce; Discussion opened by Mrs. John Brown. (b) *The Suggested Children's De-*

partment under the Local Government Board: Paper by Mrs. Finlay, P.L.G.; Discussion opened by Miss Lidgett, P.L.G.

EVENING - Mrs. Sidney Webb presiding.

7.30 to 10.0.—*Competition among Women:* (a) Among Brain Workers; Paper by Mrs. A. Phillip; Discussion opened by Mrs. W. C. Hawksley. (b) Among Manual Workers; Paper by Miss Gertrude Tuckwell; Discussion opened by Miss Bulley.

THIRD DAY.—THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29th.

10.0.—*Devotional Meeting* (in the Rest-Room).

FORENOON - Mrs. Creighton, presiding.

10.30 to 1.0.—*Annual Meeting of the General Committee of the National Union of Women Workers.*

AFTERNOON - The Lady Mayoress, presiding.

2.30 to 4.15.—*Meeting for Young Ladies* (at the Friends' Meeting House, Mount Street): Papers will be read (a) On What Girls Living at Home and in Society can do for others: Miss Montgomery, Hon. Sec. Exeter Tech. Univ. Exten. Coll.; (b) On Courtship and Marriage: Mrs. Creighton; (c) On Money: Miss Soulsby, Head Mistress, Oxford High School for Girls.

AFTERNOON - The Hon. Mrs. A. T. Lyttelton, presiding.

2.30 to 4.30.—(a) Registration of Midwives: Paper by Miss Rosalind Paget; Discussion opened by Mrs. H. Percy Boulnois. (b) Employment of Midwives: Paper by Sister Katherine, Plaistow; Discussion opened by Dr. Annie McCall, Clapham Maternity Hospital.

4.30 to 5.30.—*Farewell Address* by the Hon. Mrs. A. T. Lyttelton. Votes of thanks.

In the evening there will be a Reception at the Town Hall by the kind invitation of the the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress. Admission by the Lord Mayor's invitation card only.

FOURTH DAY.—FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30th.

10.0.—*Devotional Meeting* (in the Rest-Room).

FORENOON - Mrs. Creighton, presiding.

10.30.—*Rescue Workers' Conference.* Admission by special ticket, free, to be had in the Inquiry Room. No papers will be read at this meeting. Subjects previously decided upon will be dealt with.

2.0.—*Service at the Cathedral* (by kind permission of the Dean and Chapter); Preacher: His Grace the Archbishop of York.

All Members of the Conference are invited to Afternoon Tea and Inspection of Pupils' Work, at the Manchester School of Domestic Economy, South Parade, St. Mary's Street, Deansgate, on Wednesday, October 28th, from 5 to 7. Admission on presentation of Conference ticket.

A Conference of Women Guardians will be held in Manchester at the Friends' Institute, Mount Street, on Thursday, October 29th, from 11 to 1 o'clock. A paper will read on "Classification in Workhouses," by Mrs. Hazzledine (Nottingham), and Members of the Conference are invited to attend.

Miss A. Elliott, of St. Helen's, Lancashire, has been appointed Sanitary Inspector of St. George's Vestry, Southwark. A member of the Vestry made himself exceedingly obnoxious to one lady candidate by inquiring whether she wore bloomers when bicycling. The chairman ought certainly to have protected a woman from such treatment.

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