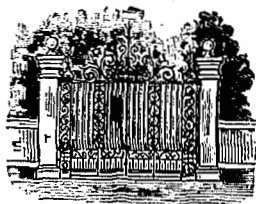


## Outside the Gates.

### WOMEN.



HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS OF WALES has graciously consented to act as President of the trust, to be known as the Alexandra Trust, for providing restaurants all over London at which working men and women can obtain wholesome, well-cooked food at cost price. The Queen has granted a Royal Charter to the Trust. The trustees of the scheme, besides the Princess of Wales, are Sir Thomas Lipton, the Duke of Norfolk, and Sir Francis Jeune. Sir Thomas Lipton has generously given £100,000 to start the scheme, and is prepared to give another £100,000 when it is required, as well as to spend another £50,000 on a similar scheme in Scotland if the London scheme answers. Sir Thomas Lipton stated to a representative of the *Daily Chronicle* that the Princess of Wales was so impressed with the state of things which was revealed when the arrangements were made for the Jubilee dinner last year, that her Royal Highness has been wishing to do something to benefit the working classes not only on special occasions but all the year round. With the active support of the Princess of Wales, and the commercial knowledge of Sir Thomas Lipton which will be brought to bear upon the scheme, it seems to have a large future before it.

We are heartily grateful to those of our readers who have responded so promptly to our appeal for funds for the National Union of Women Workers. We should still like some more contributions please. We have a large letter box, and large desires for the National Union.

Mrs. Jack Johnstone, who has shown the utmost devotion to the interest of women Journalists, has been the Hon. Secretary of their Society since its inception, and her resignation of the office has caused sincere regret. Indeed, it will be difficult to imagine the Women Journalists' Society without her charming personality directing affairs. Miss O'Connor Eccles is to succeed her as Hon. Secretary, and as she is deservedly popular, it is to be hoped that the Society will increase and succeed as it deserves to do.

The training of young women of education as children's nurses, organized by the Liverpool Ladies' Sanitary Association, will extend over twelve months, the last three months' training consisting of practical work as probationers in families. The previous nine months will be devoted to training in the following branches: Elementary physiology and hygiene; needlework, including the making of infants' and children's garments of all descriptions, and children's millinery; cooking, including the making of infants' food, and the care of feeding bottles, and some simple lessons in housewifery; the principles of the Kindergarten and the practical application in a Kindergarten of these principles; training in the handling, washing, and dressing of infants and children, also the care of sick and ailing children.

All this valuable training can be obtained at the L.L.S.A. offices, at the School of Domestic Science, 1, Prince's Road, and at some Kindergarten School in the neighbourhood of Sandon Terrace. The care of sick and ailing children will, it is hoped, be found at some convalescent hospital in or near Liverpool. £20 will be the maximum fee charged by the L.L.S.A. for this training, and, owing to the demand for properly trained educated nurses for infants and children, the L.L.S.A. have no hesitation in recommending young women who must earn their own living, and feel a call to a work so eminently suited to their sex and natural capacities to undertake the training they propose to give."

The Queen of Roumania (Carmen Sylva) has been made a member of the S. Petersburg Academy of Science—a distinction due to her literary talent.

Some of the leading politicians of South Australia have been giving their impressions of the working of Women's Suffrage in that Colony. Dr. Cockburn, who has just been appointed Agent-General, is enthusiastic in praise of the innovation. It had been predicted that less chivalry would be shown to women when they gained the vote. But he could testify that the result was exactly opposite, for whereas formerly a man would raise his hat only to a woman of rank or title, now he would do so to a washerwoman, especially if he had anything to do with politics. We can quite believe it.

### CONGRESS AT THE HAGUE.

In connection with the Exhibition of Women's Work at the Hague, a Congress on subjects of special interest to women is being held in a hall fitted up for this purpose. The following synopsis of the subjects which have already been discussed, will give the readers of the *NURSING RECORD* some idea of the comprehensive nature of this Conference..

#### THESES, MOVED, AND CONCLUSIONS PROPOSED ON QUESTIONS OF SOCIAL WORK.

##### TOYNBEE-WORK:—

I.—Toynbee-work, in the Netherlands, wishes to remain neutral in the struggle between the different classes.

II.—Those amongst the possessing classes who feel the just claims of the struggling masses, find a worthy field of action in Toynbee-work which acknowledges those claims.

Moved by T. M. WIBAUT, MIDDELBURG.

##### NEIGHBOURHOOD GUILDS:—

I.—Neighbourhood Guilds can be started on small funds and are easily managed.

II.—The democratic principle of the Neighbourhood Guilds is a mighty lever for the intellectual development of its members.

III.—The principle of those Guilds being "nothing gratis" and "no philanthropy," is a powerful lever to raise the moral standard of its members.

IV.—The total abstinence principle must be strictly adhered to in everything connected with the Neighbourhood Guilds.

V.—Neighbourhood Guilds form a strong link between their members.

VI.—Those guilds bridge over the gulf between the different classes and advance the progress of civilization.

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