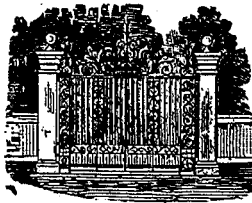


## Outside the Gates.

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respective States referring or applicable to traffic in young girls. It has been decided to hold the next conference in Madrid next May.

The Conservative and Unionist Women's Franchise Association projects an active campaign during the autumn and winter months. Courses of lectures will be given by eminent speakers on various social, economic, and political questions. Afternoon meetings will be held, and there will be a series of evening receptions, at all of which speeches will be delivered on the different aspects of the franchise question. The head-quarters of the organisation is 48, Dover Street, London, W.

The mass meeting of Suffragettes, held at the Albert Hall last Thursday, with the two-fold object of wishing Mrs. Pankhurst God-speed on her American tour, and of protesting against the forcible feeding of women in prison, was full of enthusiasm, and the following resolution was passed by acclamation:—"This meeting expresses its profound indignation at the recent disgraceful development of the Government's policy of coercion towards women, and warns the Government that the repression will rouse women into more determined rebellion, while only the concession of the vote to duly qualified women will bring this struggle to an end." In moving the resolution, Mrs. Lawrence said the movement was a crusade and the purpose was not to save a sacred tomb from desecration, but to save the living temple, the body and soul of woman, from the desecration of sex domination. During the evening nearly £3,000 was poured into the special campaign coffers.

The Suffragists' demonstration in Edinburgh last Saturday was very impressive. About 2,000 women assembled at Bruntsfield Links and marched to the Waverley Market, where eloquent speeches were delivered. Great numbers of people watched the procession as it passed through the streets with bands playing and banners flying. Mrs. Drummond, in a green uniform, rode on horseback in front, and among the other women who were on horses was Lady Steel, widow of a Lord Provost of Edinburgh. Historic characters were represented in the procession, among them being Dervorguilla, who, with her husband, founded Balliol College, Oxford, and built Dumfries Bridge; Queen Margaret, who civilised the Court of Malcolm Canmore; Mary Queen of Scots; the Duchess of Gordon, who raised the Gordon Highlanders; the Countess of Buchan, who was imprisoned in an iron cage for crowning

Bruce; Black Agnes, who defended Dunbar Castle for her husband; the Solway Firth martyrs, and Flora Macdonald.

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence said women hated violence and war and loved peace, but there was one thing more precious than peace, and that was honour. The Albert Hall resolution was carried.

Miss Eleanor Rathbone, a prominent Liverpool Suffragist, has been elected to the Liverpool City Council, and is the first lady to earn that distinction. She contested the election as an independent candidate. Miss Rathbone polled 1,066 votes, being elected by a majority of 550.

The Countess of Aberdeen, President of the Women's National Health Association of Ireland, presided last week at a meeting of the Society in Dublin. Reports of the sections of the Association's work were submitted. The babies' clubs are stated to have been a great success, and the tuberculosis caravan now touring in the South of Ireland is receiving a good reception. Lady Aberdeen read a communication from the Admiralty authorising the use of certain disused coastguard stations for the purposes of the Association, and denials were given to statements which have been made that the work of the Association is hindering Irish industries, and hurting Irish tourist traffic.

On the Merion Club's course at Haverford, Pa., on Saturday, the fifteenth annual tournament for the United States Ladies' Golf Championship ended in favour of Miss Dorothy Campbell, of North Berwick, who, in the final round of 18 holes, defeated Mrs. R. H. Barlow, of Philadelphia, by 3 up and 2 to play. Miss Campbell has thus gained the distinction of being the first British player to secure the honours of ladies' golf in America.

### COMING EVENTS.

*October 18th.*—Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester. 172nd Anniversary of Foundation. Thanksgiving Service. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Winchester. 3.30 p.m.

*October 18th to 22nd.*—Conference, National Union of Women Workers, Portsmouth. Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women of Great Britain and Ireland on 20th and 21st inst.

*October 22nd.*—Meeting Matrons' Council, 3 p.m. Tea 4 p.m. Meeting National Council of Nurses, 4.30 p.m. Presentation to Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, 5.30 p.m., 431, Oxford Street, London, W.

*October 25th.*—Central Midwives' Board Examination, London, Examination Hall, W.C.; Birmingham, the University; Bristol, University College; Manchester, Victoria University; Newcastle-on-Tyne, University of Durham College of Medicine.

WORD FOR THE WEEK.  
"God the first garden made,  
And the first city, Cain!"

Cowper.

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