

OUTSIDE THE GATES.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

The Territorial Force Nursing Service appeals strongly to women of patriotic temperament, as on organising committees, or as matrons, sisters, and nurses they can take an active share in preparing to assist in home defence should these shores ever be invaded by a foreign foe.

Lady Ampthill, whose portrait appears on this page, who has recently been appointed a member of the Advisory Council of the Service, has already shewn her patriotic interest in the efficient care of the sick both at home and in our Indian Empire, where, during the time that Lord Ampthill was Governor of Madras, she proved her sympathy with the needs of nursing in India by founding the institute bearing her name for the purpose of supplying trained nurses to private patients needing their services.

Lady Ampthill, who is a daughter of the sixth Lord Beauchamp, and a sister of the Lord President of the Council, is a Lady-in-Waiting to the Queen. Considering the interest taken by Lord Ampthill in the question of State Registration of Nurses, it is natural that Lady Ampthill should be an honoured Vice-President of the Society founded to obtain this reform. Nurses will never forget how, when in 1908 the Central Hospital Council for London sprang its Nurses' Directory Bill upon them in the House of Lords, Lord Ampthill most chivalrously came to their rescue and secured the rejection of the second reading, following up his victory by introducing the Nurses' Bill into the House of Lords and brilliantly piloting it through all its stages. Ever since that time he has taken the warmest interest in the promotion of State Registration of Nurses, and is at present Chairman of the Central Committee formed with this object.

In addition to her other distinctions, Lady Ampthill was awarded the Order of the Crown of India in 1899 and the Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Medal in 1906.

Some disquiet is expressed over the condition of the Kaiserin. Her Majesty, who is much beloved

by the German people, began a prolonged "cure" at Bad Nauheim last week at the sanatorium of Dr. Gröbel, whose specialty suggests that the Empress has gone to Nauheim for heart treatment. Her Majesty will remain under her specialist's care for at least five weeks.

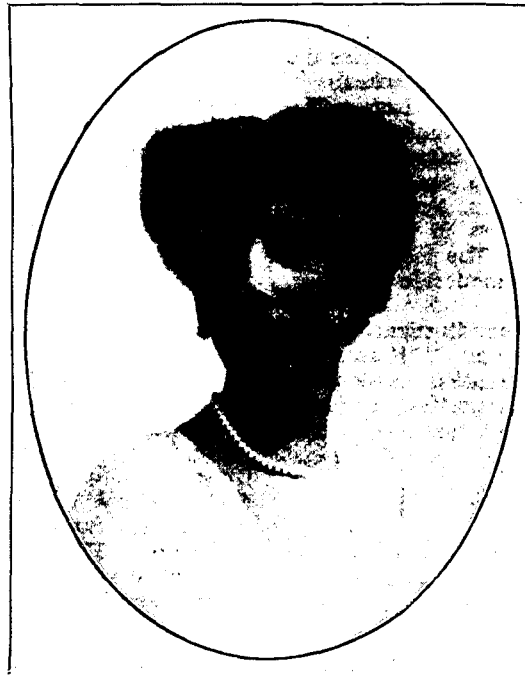
Women know far too little about the horrors of the White Slave Traffic. If they knew more they would do more to prevent it. The public meeting on the subject to be held at the Grand Hall, Criterion Restaurant, on April 26th, at 8 p.m., should attract many nurses. It is organised by the Men's Society for Women's Rights. Dr. C. W. Saleeby and Miss Abadam

are both wonderfully enthusiastic and eloquent speakers, who cannot be listened to without carrying conviction as to the demoralization of this most criminal traffic in the bodies and souls of innocent girls.

Early next year the Girls' Friendly Society hopes to establish a hostel which will provide girls and women with a home and good food at very moderate prices. A site near Victoria Station will be chosen, as it is thought that proximity to the Continental terminus will be of great convenience to girls coming from abroad to take up work in England. One feature will be a waiting room for girls coming up to town by the workmen's trains in the

early morning. There will also be a restaurant open to non-residents in the hostel, where low prices will be charged.

Women clerks and secretaries are urged to realise that if they want to make the best of the Chancellor's Insurance scheme—always with the hope of getting it eventually amended in the direction of a useful pension scheme (with a possible unemployment fund)—they must join an "approved" society, formed and controlled by members of their own profession. Such a society is now being formed by the Association of Women Clerks and Secretaries, whose committee hope to be able to publish the rules and scale of benefits at an early date, of which Miss Ruth Young is chairman. The secretary of the association, at 8, Buckingham Street, Strand, will be pleased to answer any inquiries.



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