## OUTSIDE THE GATES.

## WOMEN.

The proposition that the Lyceum Club should entertain parties of convalescent soldiers from military and other hospitals has been taken up with enthusiasm. Some little time ago we gave an account of the first of the series, when twenty five men from King George V Hospital enjoyed the hospitality of members of the Club—Lady Strachey and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, with whom the idea orginated, acting as hostesses. The

next party was given by members of the Belgian, French, and Russian circles to 50 Belgian soldiers from King Albert's hos-

pital.

Other hostesses have been the Photographic and United Colonial Circles whose guests came from the Bethnal Green Military Hospital; fifty more from Lewisham followed. Last Saturday, Cedar Lawn Military Hospital, and Mount Vernon Military Hospital, Hampstead, supplied the guests, and this week those blinded in the war who are patients at St. Mark's College, Chelsea, the Second London General Hospital (T.F.), London, are the guests of honour. Anyone passing along Piccadilly, along when one of these entertainments is in progress, will, weather permitting, see the familiar blue uniform of the con-

valescent soldier on the balcony of the Club, and the men greatly enjoying the animated scene.

The Englishwoman Exhibition of Arts and Handicrafts will be held at the Central Hall, Westminster (close to the Westminster Hospital), from Wednesday, November 17th, to Saturday, November 27th, 1915. II a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be exhibits of handweaving, jewellery, pewter, leatherwork, bookbinding, pottery, sculpture, stained glass, enamelled glass, wood-carving, inlaid furniture, Chinese lacquer, antiques, artistic dress, hand-made flowers, embroidery, lace,

baskets, dressed dolls, toys, illumination and caligraphy, illustrations, colour printing, etching, water colours, miniatures, photography, gardening, lingerie, children's and ladies' frocks, smocks, &c.

Women handicraft workers have everywhere manifested the utmost readiness to serve the nation in any capacity in which their training would make them of value; so far, however, all their offers have been ignored by the Government. Owing to the War, these workers in Arts and Handicrafts have received very little support from their usual clients during the year, and are depending more than ever for their opportunity

of sales upon such Exhibitions as the one to be held at the Central Hall. Write for particulars to The Secretary, The Englishwoman, II, Haymarket, S.W.

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MRS. FELTON,

By the courtesy of the Editor of The Gentlewoman, we are able to publish the accompanying portrait of Mrs. Felton, of Fitzroy, East Falkland Islands, who, as we announced last week has been presented with a piece of plate by the Admiralty, for services to the British Squadron on the day of the naval battle off the Falkland Islands. She and her two maids went to the top of a ridge until they sighted the German fleet. They then rushed with information to the authorities, who transmitted it by wireless to Admiral The en-Sturdee.

trapping and destruction of the German fleet

The first postwoman has now made her appearance in the streets at Brighton. She carries a well-filled post-bag, and attracts considerable attention. We are becoming accustomed in London to find women serving as 'bus conductors, railway ticket collectors, carriage cleaners and newspaper sellers, and girls are supplementing boys as district messengers, and very well they discharge their duties. The girl messengers promise to be quite as smart as the boys.

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