

I have it from inner suffrage circles in London that Mrs. Pankhurst's addresses in America will be almost entirely about hidden diseases which often throw a blight over the home, that the United States will hear more facts about the sufferings which women endure because of the immorality of men than it has ever heard before.

"Throw down the bars and tell the truth about sexual diseases," is the new motto of the English suffragets.

The last weeks before leaving for America Mrs. Pankhurst spent in seclusion in Paris with her daughter, Christabel. Together they exhausted scores of volumes of medical books.

They were often in conference with several women physicians who are members of the suffrage movement, and, even before Mrs. Pankhurst left for America, her daughter Christabel began a series of articles in the *Suffraget*, the suffragets' paper, which astonished England for the frankness of speech they contained.

The theme of these articles, as will be the theme of Mrs. Pankhurst's addresses in America, is that most men have, at one time or another, suffered from some hidden disease, and that girls who unwittingly marry such men are taking their lives in their hands and are risking the welfare of children who are to be born.

These articles have touched Englishmen to the quick, for they are addressed not to the men of England, but to the wives and sweethearts of Englishmen and they tell these women many secrets which women are not usually supposed to know about men.

"These women are attacking the home circle," cry the Englishmen. "They are trying to keep girls from getting married and they are trying to break up homes that are already established. It is diabolical."

But Mrs. Pankhurst and her followers only smile serenely and answer:

"Give us the vote and we will pass laws against these diseases instead of talking about them. We admit we are attacking the home circle, and our object in doing so is to protect women and to get the vote."

Are Americans prepared for this sort of a campaign by Mrs. Pankhurst in America?

An inkling of what Mrs. Pankhurst plans to do in America has reached the lecture bureaux of New York and she is receiving fabulous offers to put herself under contract.

She has rejected all these offers, saying that all the money which she takes in will be turned over to the Women's Social and Political Union of England.

PLAIN TALK FROM CHRISTABEL PANKHURST

By Christabel Pankhurst.

The fact is that it is no longer any use for men to try to preserve the illusions of virtuous women as to what goes on in the underworld. Until men accept the same moral standard as women, how can it be said they are fit companions for women?

Women have always known that marriage is not without its risks; that either on the man's part or the woman's part love may fall. But what women have not known is that marriage as a physical union is a matter of appalling danger to women.

The danger of marriage is due to the low moral standard of men. Men, before marriage and often while they are married, contract disease and give this disease to their wives.

Price, an American authority, says that out of 1,000 operations on women 950—all save 50!—were the result of conditions due to hidden disease.

From 75 to 80 per cent of men, at one time or another, contract these diseases. These men are a warning to other men to abstain from vice and a warning to women of the grave danger of marriage so long as the